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Original Poetry.

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The Grave of Nell.

"And thenceforth every day and night, the old man waited at her grave for her. The last time was on a genial day in spring. He did not return at the usual hour, and they went to seek him. He was lying dead upon the stone."

The Old Curiosity Shop.

The clock from out the grand tower
Has long since pealed the midnight hour,
The night rolls on, but still alone,
The old man lingers by that stone.

The moonbeams sleep upon the lea,
The stars are winking silently,
But the old man keeps his vigil well
By the lonely grave of *Little Nell*.

The night winds as they sweep along
Would seem the funds of the hale and strong.
The old man listens to their moan,
Then shivering, smiles by the stone.

The spectral tombs stand thick around,
The yew gives forth her mournful sound,
But their company he loveth well,
For they watch wah him by *Little Nell*.

No eye but God's beholds him there
No other one can hear his prayer.
The only friend his heart had known
Is slumbering beneath that stone.

His fading memory loves to stray
Back to the time, when day by day,
He wandered o'er each hill and dell,
Led by the hand of *Little Nell*.

With her he rose to greet the sun,
And when the painful day was done,
The faithful one who loved him best,
Pillowed his head upon her breast.

Thus dreamed the man of woes; and while
He strove his memory to beguile,
He feels his trembling limbs grow still,
And numbs strange his bosom fill.

His quivering breath is ebbing fast,
A single word his lips has passed,
The faithful name he loved so well,
—He has gone to be with *Little Nell*.

The sun that rose next morn so bright,
As if no sorrow met his sight,
Looked down upon that lowly stone,
And there the old man slept alone

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Lines.

BY EDWARD J. PORTER

Ah! my not that the beaming eye
May never hide
In its blue depths, from scrutiny
Care's ceaseless tide;
Yea! though bright rays no line divine
Than round the brows of angels twine
When sent on mercy's errand down,
From the dark sullen lash be thrown;
Yet may some secret torture, deep
Within the breast
Be borne, and eyes that should but weep,
In tranquil seeming calmly keep
The soul's unrest!

Nor deem the cheek may never wear
The bloom of youth,
And yet the spirit of despair
Conceal its truth.
Though the rich rosebud, bursting, throw
Over an soft shmmsh one pure glow,
And lurks in nuts like those that lave
The blushing earth, when sky, and wave
Have caught the sunset's latest beam,
Still may the cheek,
Beneath the blight, more brightly gleam
While rapidly life's wavering dream
Its close may seek!

Then, though the minstrel's song be gay
And his heart seem
Unknown to care, and thou should'st say,
"One joyous dream
Is his alone"—pain never may cast
One breath his hope's bright flame to waste.
Then little know st what secret pang
Ha soul may bear, what demon fang
His bosom may have inly nurst,
Though seeming joy
His brow surround,—song's rapture burst,
Assuming gladness, though secure
With grief's alloy.

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Original Tales.

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Triumph of Woman's Love;

BEING THE SEQUEL TO

The Young Wife's Trial.

BY PROFESSOR INGRAHAM, AUTHOR OF "LAFITTE," "BURTON," "HER," "ST. ANDOMA," ETC.

"Ah, Love was never yet without
The pang, the agony, the doubt.—
—That love had arrows well she knew;
Alas! she found them poisoned too

BYRON

"Oh can she change who seemed to love so truly?"

The day on which Kemble Powell had decided on making the trial of his loving wife's devotion to gratify the cool nature of his friend Neal Gordon at length arrived. It was evening, and his wife had just dropped the curtains over the windows of the tasteful little "keeping room" where she used to read, sew, and amuse herself with her child. A shade lamp was lighted and placed upon her elegant Indian work-stand, and an air of tasteful comfort pervaded the apartment. Kemble had been absent all day, having sent her word at noon that he should dine and with his friend Gordon. She was now unusually expecting him, and her ear was sensitive that love might catch the first foot fall upon the marble steps before he rang at the door. At length the long expected bell sounded, but with a hasher and quicker ring than Kemble's, so that while she flew into the hall her heart half feared it might not be him. She lingered therefore, until the liveried footman opened the door, when she beheld her husband and flew to welcome him. She instantly, with the quick jealousy of love, detected a change in his countenance, and he returned the welcoming grasp of her hand with a sad smile that cut her to the heart. She asked him no question, though painfully impressed with the idea of prevailing evil, but waited until she could be alone with him out of hearing of the servants. He followed her silently into the little room where slept his child in its cradle, and bending over it kissed it while his heart smote him for the cruel part he was preparing to act toward its mother—the dearly cherished and honored wife of his bosom! But Neal Gordon's suspicions had poisoned his own mind, and he felt he could have no peace till the trial was made. After kissing the infant and smiling upon it, he threw himself upon a sofa, and heaving a deep sigh covered his face with his hands. Catharine gazed upon him a few seconds in silent outgiving, and then approaching him softly laid gently her hand upon his arm.

"Dear Kemble, you are ill!" she said in those sweet tones of affectionate solicitude that can only come from a young and fond wife's lips. His treacherous heart smote him; but he remained silent. He felt a destiny nerved him to this fearful trial, and while he worked to avoid it he could not. "Tell me, dearest Kemble, what it is that troubles you; for I feel you have no fever. If it is not illness, it is a mental burden that gives you this unwounded sadness. Speak to me and make me your confidant; perhaps I can administer to your relief! There is," she added, smiling, "a great charm in a wife's new company."

"I am not ill, Catharine," he said pressing her to his heart and kissing her brow as if he would atone by affection for the wrong he was meditating. Catharine felt happy at this proof of undiminished tenderness, and all doubts of her having in any way incurred his displeasure were instantly dissipated; for such a suspicion had already begun to disturb her mind.

"Tell me then, Kemble, what ails you! Has any thing happened to you?" she inquired anxiously.

"No, dearest, not to *me*—but to *you*—that is I feel distressed on your account and not on mine."

"What can affect me that cannot also have its effect upon you, dear Kemble! Speak out freely, and be assured *I* shall not shrink from any thing, so it fall *above* upon me! Speak then and do not hand me. What has occurred? You are not ill—you have not ceased to love me—nor to love your child—for never have you shown more affection to us! What then can make me unhappy. I see within my arm's reach all I love, and know that that *all is safe*! What then have I to fear! Speak, dear Kemble, and relieve your mind from the weight that seems to depress it."

The false husband could not look up to meet the clear open gaze of the eye that sought his own. He felt as if she had become an angel to a judgment upon him; yet his knowledge of her showed her it was nothing more than her own pure and devoted spirit that thus nobly manifested itself. He would have shrunk from his contemplated treachery but could not! He seemed bound by a spell to carry forward his purpose to its issue! He remained silent for a few moments holding her soft white hand in his, while her eyes were fixed with deep and tender interest upon his troubled countenance.

"Nay, Catharine, dear, I cannot grieve you," he at length made a painful effort to say; "you cannot, I feel well assured, receive the announcement I have to make, without its deeply affecting you."

"Oh, speak freely and honestly, Kemble! Fear not not! If Providence hath sent evil upon us he hath also sent us good in our life time, and we ought to be willing to receive the evil also. I have tried to bear the prosperity to which your love has elevated me with the humility becoming the station from which you took me; I shall pray for strength to the same source that has hitherto kept me humble to give me patience to bear adversity; for I fear, Kemble, in these times of great pecuniary vicissitudes, that it is of something of this nature you would inform me. Is it not so?" she asked smiling, and playfully touching his cheek.

"Your penetration, Catharine, has saved me the pain of the communication I have been so reluctant to make. But I am surprised, I confess, at the indifference which you manifest in case your suspicions should be proven to you to be true."

"And are they not true, husband? Now have you any thing more to tell me than that you have lost money in some one of those immense bank failures, and that I must be content to part with some of the luxuries with which your affectionate pride has surrounded me. Truly, now, dear Kemble, is it any thing more or worse?"

"Indeed is not, Catharine," said Kemble, looking at her serene face with surprise, and in his heart wishing Neal Gordon were present to see her also.

"Then why this sorrow, and reluctance to break it to me?"

"Because, Catharine, I know how a wife living in the style you do, must feel to lie told her husband has met with reverses, and that she must remove from her position in society."

"There may be wives, Kemble, who are so selfish that at such a moment they would think more of themselves, perhaps, than of their husbands. You know I am not selfish where you are interested, dear Kemble," she said affectionately; "If this loss you mention is to cause you to change your position from the sphere which both by birth and education you grace and adorn, I shall indeed mourn and deeply feel it. But for myself alone I care not! My sympathies my beloved Kemble would be wholly yours!"

"You speak like an angel, Catharine," said Kemble with animation. You are indeed a wife to do honor to a husband! It is true I have met with a small loss. The United States Bank stock has been for some time depreciating, and today I have sold out at a sacrifice that must resolve a slight change in our style of living not only proper but necessary. I am indeed sorry on your account, for I shall have to lessen my expenses which are now four thousand dollars a year to twenty-five hundred."

"If you do not grieve, Kemble, at this *I* shall not," said his wife cheerfully.

"But you will have to part with your carriage and horses which I presented you the day after your marriage."

"I will do so cheerfully; we don't need it, Kemble. I ride very little you know, and you never get into it. You will keep your cir and saddle horses."

"No," replied Kemble firmly, being resolved as some atonement to his wife, to punish himself as well as deprive her of her means of enjoyment.

"Then I shall grieve, indeed, for your sake, dear Kemble," she said softly; and he could not but confess in the bottom of his heart that she felt only for him to the total disregard of herself.

"But John and Thomas, the coachman and footman will have to be dismissed, Catharine," he added, looking at her face like a chirurgion, who feels the pulse of his patient under a protracted operation of surgery.

"We can do very well with but one man servant, James; and I will keep but one nurse, and dismiss my seamstress."

"Indeed, Catharine, this is too great a sacrifice."

"I do not feel it as such. All the feeling I have has reference to the event of all this upon you, dear Kemble. If I knew you would patiently bear this reverse, I should not think it worth speaking about after this moment."

"You are a noble creature, Catharine! I feel not know half your worth before. I can't understand how you can be so lightly affected by these unfavorably changes in prospect."

"So long as you are left to me and love me, so long as one dear child lives to be the bond of our wedded love, nothing extraneous can make me less cheerful or diminish my happiness. Let us this evening call the coachman and footman, and the two females, and dismiss them with a month's wages over. To-morrow you can send the horses and carriage to the mart."

"But what will your friends say, Catharine, when they know you have been reduced to sell your carriage!"

"I do not live for them, Kemble, but for you. If you can bear it, I have no feeling or thought beyond," she answered with quiet and firm dignity. He felt that he could almost worship her. But the trial was but begun.

Without speaking further, Catharine quietly rose and pulled the bell. Thomas the footman replied to it.

"Thomas and James and George the waiter here, and also ask Hannah and Clara to come to me and return with them yourself."

"Yes, madam," answered the footman, with a low bow, and departed on his errand, wondering what such a message and meeting portended.

"You see, Kemble, I am already preparing to accommodate myself to our new position," she said smiling. "Only keep up cheerful spirits and you will find my happiness, and perhaps your own, does not consist in servants or equipages. Have I your permission to dismiss the servants! It must be a disagreeable duty to you, and I would relieve you from so embarrassing a task."

Kemble could hardly reply for wonder, shame and self-accusations, that he should have been tempted to conspire against so lovely a woman. But he felt that it was now too late to repent, if he would, and yielding himself to the current of circumstances he had set in motion, suffered things to take their course.

The servants were entered, and stood by the door in silence. Kemble turned his face away and took up a book, the leaves of which he occupied himself in carelessly turning over. His wife constrained her look of mortification at the part he was playing, for an expression of grief at his loss and prospective change in his condition. She leaned toward him and said soothingly.

"Never mind, Kemble, we shall live much more independently without so many servants. If you could only afford to keep your buggy I should not care! Suppose," she whispered, "you keep James and your buggy, and I will sacrifice my other horse and jewelry."

He replied only by pressing her hand and shaking his head negatively. He despised himself at that moment and cursed Neal Gordon in his heart. But he had gone too far to repent.

"I am sorry," said Catharine, speaking with sweet dignity, but in her trembling tones, manifesting her sympathy for their situation, addressing the assembled servants, "very sorry to have to inform you that recent pecuniary losses render it expedient for us to reduce our expenses, and, therefore, I shall to-morrow part with my carriage and horses, and as shall need your services, James, no longer. Thomas will also have to seek some other situation, as the chambermaid must try and supply his place. You Hannah and Clara, I shall regret to part with also, but unfortunately I cannot control my wishes in this respect. For the future we must do with the cook, chambermaid and youngest nurse. I will pay each of you a months wages over in the morning when you have leave to depart. I am pained to part with you, for you have all been with me ever since I was married, and have been faithful."

This brief address of their mistress was received by them at first with a surprise that soon lost itself in grief. They wept, both the men and women, and expressed their sorrow more for their master and mistress than for themselves. Kemble was made with emotion. He felt he had not calculated the amount and vanity of mental suffering his experiment involved. But he could not recede. After they had left the room, he rose and threw himself upon his wife's bosom, and wept for very shame and penitence. He gladly would have knelt at her feet and confessed all! His love and respect for her were increased a hundred fold, and he sunk in the same ratio in his own esteem.

The next morning the four servants were dismissed, and as they left the house, a message from Neal Gordon met them desiring to see them. They called at his residence, when he desired them not to seek places without his permission, he would pay them wages so long as they should be out of place. By twelve o'clock Kemble had parted with his carriage, buggy and horses, and at one o'clock he was seated in Neal Gordon's library, relating to him, in the most animated and effecting manner, the scenes of the preceding evening. Neal listened with apparent incredulity, and with the impotant air of a man who has already anticipated the finale of a tedious narration.

"This is all very nice, Kemble," he said with a cynical curl of his thin lip, as Kemble ended with tears and self-upbraidings; all very nice doubtless, and all very true! But she has twenty-five hundred dollars a year left yet! It is enough for any genteel family. She has, it is true, parted with her carriage, but how few keep equipages here, and how many—[illegible] they are in a city like this! She will not miss it! She will feel its deprivation most in the snares and whispers of her jealoving friends! She has but three servants, it is true, and few rich families have more than two in a small family you don't need any more. She retains her fine house, and all the luxuries of her condition. In fact she has parted with nothing! You have not tried her. From your manner when you went home she had prepared her mind to receive a shock so much greater, that the truth seemed insignificant to her. No wonder she was cheerful. It was that cheerfulness begotten by thankfulness that it was not the half she had feared from your long face and ominous hints. It has been no fair test, Kemble;" and Neal Gordon coolly lighted a second cigar at the stump of one he had just smoked up, and then handed a couple of regalias across the table to Kemble.

"You are incorrigible—most cruelly so," said Kemble, with a look if mental anguish. "What further sacrifice shall I make?"

"Reduce your expenses to one thousand dollars, and by so much you reduce her affection," answered Neal Gordon, quietly.

"I will do it, and triumph over your unjust suspicions," answered Kemble with warmth. "Now I have begun I will not stop till you confess, Neal Gordon, that Catharine Kemble is the noblest creature breathing on God's earth. I am convinced from the trial I have already made."

"Ha, ha, ha!" laughed his friend, sarcastically. "You are a husband, and your wife has *mesmerized* you so that you can see only as she *wills*."

"You shall see only as I bid you, Gordon, mesmerism or no," answered Kemble, leaving him, and returning home. On his way his mind was agitated as to the manner in which he should break to her his intention to reduce still lower his expenses. When he had entered the house he had come to no determination, and affectionately embracing his wife, who met him in the hall, looking, he thought, lovelier and more cheerful than he had ever seen her, he suffered her to lead him into her keeping-room new. Seating herself beside him she took his hand, and looking up into his face with a sweet earnest expression, said.

"I am glad, Kemble, for my sake this reverse has occurred; for I feel that I have loved you since last night more than I ever did in my life! But I have been thinking of our friend ———" here she paused as if she knew not how to proceed.

"What would you say, my dearest wife!" he asked, feeling how unworthy of such a woman he had made himself by his sinful compact with his latter cousin Neal Gordon.

"That with but three servants our house is too large, and I have thought, if you did not feel it, we might save much by taking a smaller house. We could then sell all our rich furniture, and for one quarter of the money furnish a comfortable house better suited to our circumstances."

"But what will the world say?" asked Kemble, delighted, wondering, yet overwhelmed with shame at his baseness. She had anticipated him in every thing! What a triumph lead he for Neal Gordon!

"All my world is here—in your affection and my child's love. I know no other, Kemble."

"Incomparable woman! I am indeed a wretch!"

"No, no! You have not brought the change in our circumstances by any folly of your own, dear Kemble! Therefore you have no cause for self-condemnation. Think not of me—if you knew my heart you would not care, so far as I am concerned, how poor you were!"

Kemble was silent with emotion. He felt he had found in his wife "a pearl of great price." At length he told her he must reduce his expenses to one thousand dollars; but it produced in her no other effect than sorrow at this evidence of how greater than she had been led to believe, and expressions of regret at the change which *he* must feel. It is plain she thought him the sole victim, losing in anticipations of his bitterness all regard for herself.

The succeeding day Catharine went out with him to choose a house and selected a neat two story dwelling in Spruce street near Ninth. With a cheerfulness that surprised him and commanded his respect, she returned home to superintend the removal of her rich furniture, splendid curtains and carpets, when a note arrived from Neal Gordon to Kemble, saying that having heard of his losses and his intention to remove, he would purchase his furniture as it stood, and take the house for a southern family of his acquaintance. Kemble, after reading the note which had already been planned between them, handed it silently to Catharine, who, after reading it, said delightedly.

"How fortunate this is! I must confess I felt a little sorry at the idea of stripping the rooms and sending all the familiar luxuries of our better days to an auction store. Neal Gordon has a kinder heart than I believed he possessed. He has shown great delicacy and feeling in this proposition. Now all we shall have to do will be to purchase plain furniture and move into our new house."

"And don't you even sigh to leave this, Catharine?" asked Kemble, struck by her cheerful and resigned air.

"I *feel* a little, Kemble, in leaving rooms where we have passed so many happy hours together, and parting from objects endeared to both of us by mutual possession. Beyond this I have no feeling. I shall live as happily in our humbler home as I have ever done here, if I thought you, Kemble, could forget."

"But your friends would neglect you. You know what the world is."

"And knowing what it is, Kemble, I have never placed my affections upon it. Happy in your love," she added smilingly, "I shall care for no other world but that of widely affection."

"Mrs. Linton, Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Carden, Mrs. Rainer and all those fashionable acquaintances will refuse longer to speak with you."

"I expect it, Kemble, and am prepared for it. But you having no horses, will be more with me now, and having but one nurse, I shall give my attention more to the babe; and so I and babe at least will be happier and I will try my best to make you so. It is not costly carpets and marble tables, damask hangings and lofty dwellings, servants and equipages, nor the hollow smiles of fashion in which true happiness consists. Removed from poverty (and we certainly are, though reduced) the humblest station is the happiest."

"I know not what to think of you, Catharine," said Kemble, gazing upon her animated and seraphic countenance with love and worship, "till this moment I knew not the half your worth."

The week following, Kemble removed to his new abode. Catharine had preceded him that morning, telling him he must not come *home* until dinner time, when she would be ready for him. In the meanwhile he sought Neal Gordon and reported to him all that had transpired.

"Very well, Kemble," said his cousin; "I must acknowledge she has thus far done better than I anticipated. I should like, however, to see her in her new station."

"Come with me to dinner," said Kemble earnestly; "you shall take her by surprise. If she shows herself illy at all it will be in taking the first possession of her humble dwelling."

"I will accept your invitation; for otherwise my long absence already from your roof, may be construed by her into that contemptible and detestable feeling which leads people to keep aloof from those, who once having been their equals fall from their condition."

Catharine had wished her husband to stay away until she had put every thing in comfortable order for his reception. The cousin arrived and were received by her in a plain neat cap and dress, and with a smile of affection towards Kemble and of welcome towards himself that Neal could not but confess, gave her a lovelier appearance than he had ever seen her wear.

"You are welcome, cousin Neal," she said, extending her hand to him with sweet dignity; "our abode is something humbler than you have been in the habit of finding us in, but I trust you will find no less warm a welcome."

Neal pressed the hand he held in silence and in his heart acknowledged that thus far she had triumphed. He looked round the room. The apartment was small, but more air of tasteful comfort. The dinner table was neatly laid in the centre, white curtains hung at the windows; the furniture was plain but handsome; and though there were but two ornaments on the mantle and no pictures, Neal did not miss them. Catharine's gracious and cheerful presence seemed to diffuse a charm throughout that left the eye no room to wander, but towards her. There was but one female servant and but two courses; yet Neal and Kemble both confessed they had never dined better or more satisfactorily. Kemble looked at his wife all dinner-time and literally her an angel, and Neal as he looked at her with admiration thought her a very remarkable person for one of *her sex*.

The dinner passed off pleasantly as we have said, though Neal tried cruelly to test whether Catharine's mind was sensitive with regard to her former style of living; but in every question he put to her was delivered in a tone so playful and serenity of her replies. He found her just the same as in her prosperity, if any thing, more cheerful and happy.

"You will find it a long walk to Chesnut street, and also to church from here, cousin," said Neal, after dinner as he was seated at the window picking his teeth. "You will miss your carriage."

"No, if poor Kemble don't his horses! I prefer walking to riding, and only rode because Kemble would have it so. Sometimes, when I was a country girl and thought nothing of walking five miles in a morning."

Kemble looked at Gordon with a triumphant smile, and the other returned a grateful glance. Yet it was his disposition to probe.

"You can't give parties, very well, here," he said, glaring round the small apartment.

"No, except to Kemble and baby," she said, laughing. "It is large enough for a play with the child, and in other lodgings, I think small rooms more sociable, and in winter far more comfortable. I anticipate a good deal of comfort here this winter. I have nothing to complain of, cousin, especially as Kemble bears this change in his circumstances so well."

The inquisitor was silent, and soon afterwards took his leave, impressed, for the first time, with the power and beauty of female resignation. The following day the cousin met, and Neal expressed both his surprise and disappointment at the manner he had passed the day before.

"I trust now, you are convinced Catharine married me for myself and not for my fortune," said the delighted and triumphing husband.

"No. She has around her comforts and even luxuries. Naturally of a strong mind, she has bent herself to the circumstances that have thickened around her; but there is no proof she did not love your fortune more than you. All she now has, lavished on it is from what it was, is gone gift; for when you married her, she had nothing. All she enjoys then, is her gain. Compared with her situation a few weeks ago, she is the loser, but contrasted with her condition two years ago, she is infinitely the gainer. There has been, therefore, no fair trial. It is yet to come. Deprive her of some personal comforts. Try her through her selfdeve."

"It shall be done," said Kemble, bitterly, after walking the room a few moments in agitated silence.

That evening, he returned home and found Catharine waiting tea for him. Affectionately kissing her, (for his love for her increased with the severity of the sacrifice of which he was making her the unsuspecting and innocent victim,) he did not seat himself at the tea-table, but walked the room as if in distress of mind. In a few moments, as he had anticipated, she came and laid her hand, in her affectionate way, upon his arm, and said gently,

"Kemble—what distresses you?"

"Catharine, you will repent you ever united your fate with mine. But two days in this low house, and you compelled to leave it," he said, as if overcome with sorrow.

"Care not for me—think not of *me*, dear Kemble! What has happened?"

"I have to-day transferred all my property but a mere pittance, to other hands."

"Have you given up your wife—have you given up your boy!—Do not these remain! Why then do you care for it. I cannot grieve while my babe and you are still left to me. But my heart is wrung for you, Kemble! Oh God, how will you endure this! Does Neal know of your distresses? He may relieve you!"

"I cannot ask him, Catharine. I must endure it alone!"

"Not alone! I am by your side to cheer, soothe and strengthen you. What do you care for riches! Certainly our joy and hope, our love and happiness do not depend on them. I should love you the same were you beggared, as when you were rich."

"I care not, only from the fear that you may despise me—seeing me poor! That you may cease to love me, when I can no longer gratify your tastes! That you will scorn me, when you are reduced to coarse dresses!"

"Kemble, you do not know me, when you talk thus—you do not know the strength of woman's love in adversity. Like the chamomile, it thrives and is the stronger the more it is trampled into the ground. Tell me your loss—tell me exactly your situation, and do not fear but that I shall cheerfully adapt myself to it. My heart bleeds, but only for you. I feel not for myself—but I could cheerfully die to promote your happiness."

"Catharine, noble woman and wife, God knows I am unworthy of you. You have much to forgive in me when you know all as you shall one day."

"Nay—do not censure yourself. Misfortunes are the lot of our nature; and poverty cometh at the hand of God. Let us submit with Christian resignation, and as link after link is severed from the world, let us link it to Heaven where there is no change or vicissitude."

"Earth is unworthy your presence, Catharine."

"Nay, let us now act. How much have we to live on, Kemble."

"Enough to furnish a single room, and live as economically as we can."

"I will give up to you all my jewelry, and the presents you gave me before we married. They may be of great service to you, if you are so much reduced!" and without another word she placed in his hands a little ivory box containing all those loved little mementoes and trifling articles which every lady loves to keep by her last of all. Take them, and by to-morrow I will have all the furniture packed up for sale. I dare say we can find some nice comfortable room that we can hire. I don't want any nurse, and as there are but three of us, I can easily do all the cooking that we need. How well you bear it, Kemble! It is this which is my greatest support, though a woman can bear adversity and the world's frown, I think, better than man."

Kemble could scarcely refrain from giving vent to his emotion at the sublime moral spectacle his noble wife presented. He took her hand, pressed it ardently to his lips, and turned away to hide his afflicting sensations of shame and regret at the part he was playing.

The following week Kemble Powell and his excellent wife, were the inmates of a single apartment in the second story of a two story wooden house in the suburbs of Southwark, about two miles out from Chesnut street. The chamber was snugly furnished with a bed, table and a few chairs. It wore an air of neat poverty. It was evening, and Catharine had just made tea and toast, and set the meal on a half leaf of a side table covered with a snowy napkin. She was dressed in a plain calico frock, her hair neatly laid on either cheek, and her pale face looking paler than usual, but serene and cheerful. In the cradle lay their babe smiling up into Kemble's face, and inviting him to take him up which he did and began to toss him on his knee. Catharine turned upon him a look of love, and said smiling.

"I believe you love both the babe and me better than ever, Kemble; now I know you bear cheerfully this great change in our circumstances. Nay, let me all her adversities to me—for we have more of each others society, and I think we are a great deal happier than we ever were before." And she folded both him and her child in a fond embrace, and then invited him to take his seat at their little tea-table.

"Don't you sigh for your past condition—your carriage, servants, costly furniture, house and luxuries," asked Kemble, "do you never regret this great fall, Catharine!"

"On my own account not for a moment," she answered with a sincerity that charmed him. "It is only for you I feel whenever I think of what privations you must suffer, dear Kemble."

"I suffer more, dearest; for the development of your character under these trying circumstances, which repay me for all sacrifices. I would not this trial—I mean misfortune should have happened to us for all that I have parted with. It has proved to me what a gem I have in you!"

Catharine colored, well pleased at the praise of one, the lightest words of approval or censure from whom always deeply affected her; and taking her seat at the table, she said,

"I am thankful for it, in that it has shown me my duty as a wife, and led me to seek in the meditation of another world the true source of happiness. But will you not agree with me now, Kemble, that our happiness did not consist in all we have parted with! Are we not this evening—have you not said so yourself—happier than ever we have been? What have we lost than! Nothing but cares, anxieties, and scenes of temptation and evil. I would rather live thus with you and the baby for my little world, and have so much of your society as you give me here, than as we once did, not seeing you but at intervals, and then both of us being too busy, you got into a world of business, and your friends, with calls, shopping and parties, to know what affection was hidden in our own bosoms toward each other, or whether we really loved one another or not. Now, that our happiness we seek only in each other, we are truly happy are we not, Kemble!"

The penitent, humbled, happy husband in reply, silently drew her to his heart! At this moment a foot was heard on the stairs, and a little girl belonging to one of the other lodgers, announced that there open the door and said, "a gentleman wants to see Mister Powell."

"It is Gordon," he said, rising and going into the entry from which he returned with his cousin Neal.

Catharine instantly rose and approaching him with the same grace and dignity, the same sweet cheerful smile that had characterized her in her days of prosperity extended her hand and welcomed him. The eye glanced at her bright beauteous face on which no line of care or disappointment could be traced by his eagle eye, and then at her plain gown, and then round the humbly furnished apartment. He spoke not after making these observations of the condition of his victim—for it was his first visit there—but silently seated himself in a chair which Catharine placed for him. She made no apology now as she had done, when he had called after their first remove, but received him, he could not help noting with admiration, as if she still presided in her magnificent drawing-room. Kemble's gaze was fixed upon his face with nervous expectation and ill-concealed triumph.

"Sit to the table cousin," said Catharine smiling, as well as speaking the invitation; "we had just set down to tea as you came in."

Neal took a chair beside her, and as she poured out the tea, watched her with a silent wonder and admiration that he could not disguise from the delighted Kemble.

"You have a small room here, Kemble," said Neal at length, with a well-assumed sneer. "How do you live in such a sty!"

Catharine colored at this apparent rudeness, and her heart ached for Kemble lest he should feel it, and instantly replying with calmness and dignity she said,

"Kemble has not complained, cousin Neal, only on my account. He thinks not of himself."

"And how do you like these quarters! No curtains I see—bed room—parlour and kitchen all in one! No carpet but a rag!" said Kemble to the backman. Thomas is Mr. Gordon in!"

"No, sir; he has gone to your house," answered the footman lifting his hat as he stood by the open door of the phaeton.

"Kemble, are you deranged! They will insult you! Come with me and let us return to our lodging we left this morning. Perhaps Mr. Gordon is there!"

"Then we will ride!" said Kemble pleasantly. "Thomas let down the steps."

Catharine now really believed Kemble's senses had taken leave of him, and taking him by the arm she would have drawn him forcibly away, while her heart bled with anguish for him. But he kindly took her hand and led her to the carriage, and taking the babe from her arms, handed it into its former younger nurse who sat there smiling to receive the little fellow who put out his chubby arms to her as if he recognized her. Catharine was astonished and bewildered with surprise, under the benumbing influence of which Kemble assisted her into the carriage, followed her himself; and Thomas putting up the steps and closing the door, got up behind while the carriage rolled smoothly and rapidly away in the direction of Kemble's former abode. For a few seconds Catharine was mute with surprise. At length finding speech she took both Kemble's hands in hers and entreated him, if he loved her, to explain what all this meant. Her eyes wandered from their coarse dresses to the sides of the richly lined and cushioned carriage, from the babe to her renovated nurse, and for a moment she believed herself in a twofold dream which strangely mingled the present with the past.

"Be patient, sweet wife," said Kemble, kissing her. "A few moments will explain all. We are now at the door!"

"Surely you are not going to complete this madness, Kemble, by going into your former house! It belongs to strangers!"

Kemble gave her no time for reflection! The door was opened, the steps dropped, and he assisted her to the pavement, and up the steps to the lofty portico of her own dwelling. She drew back and followed only because she believed him beside himself and needed her protection. She looked behind, and the nurse came with the child, and she became more bewildered still.

Before Kemble could ring at the door it was opened by George, the old waiter, who looked as happy as possible as he bowed low, and welcomed his master and mistress back again. Catharine now believed herself dreaming in reality. Kemble conducted her through the hall into the drawing-room, where Neal Gordon stood to receive them. She glanced around the room and beheld every thing precisely as she had left it. Even the ivory casket of jewels she had given up to her husband in their extremity, lay open upon the centre table, and her work table, and a branded other little luxuries that she had once called her own, stand as if she had parted from them but yesterday. Before he could judge correctly of her condition and her waking relation to all around her, Neal Gordon approached her, and taking her hand cast himself at her feet. If before she was astonished she was now amazed.

"I must speak!" she cried, with bewildered energy; "Kemble, cousin! explain! What is all this! Speak or my brain will fail me!"

"You, dear madam," said Neal, with unbent respect, as he knelt at her feet, "you who have proved yourself as well able to endure adversity, need not fear that you will be overcome by prosperity. You are now, sweet cousin, not only mistress of this house but of my heart as well as your husband's! Know, dearest lady, that all you have gone through has been planned and wickedly contrived by me with Kemble's reluctant consent to test your love for him, and to prove if woman's affection can outlive adversity, and will choose the happiness of another rather than its own. Your husband so far from being poor is richer, perhaps, than he ever was before—but richer, richer far indeed in the possession of a woman whose virtues are a treasure the mines of India could not purchase. Instead of parting with his property to creditors, he has only transferred it to me in safe keeping until the trial which has so triumphantly terminated should be ended. I have this morning, therefore, restored the whole to him as I received them in trust. Now, permit me, dear madam, to express to you my deep humiliation for the part I have taken in this conspiracy against one who has not only proved herself so virtuous and noble, but in the trial with my proudest respect and admiration. I have no words at command, sweet lady, to express to you how much I honor you. In one word let me say you have enlisted me as the defender of your sex, inspired me with a higher and nobler opinion of the human race, and while you have made me your slave, you have converted your husband into a worshipper. I have now only to solicit your kind forgiveness, and while I plead your clemency for myself, I crave its exercise in favor of my cousin Kemble also; who, I confess, would not have been guilty of such wickedness toward you but for the sublimness of the temptation with which I assailed his love for you! for it is justice to him to state that if he had not loved you so devotedly I should never have operated as I have most cruelly done upon his feelings and honor."

"Yes, dearest Catharine," said Kemble throwing himself at her feet. "I have basely wronged your devoted love and can only crave your sweet forgiveness equally with my cousin Neal."

"You both have done me a great wrong," said Catharine after the first emotion of surprise had subsided; "and God has mercifully guarded me amid dangers and snares I never dreamed were set for my feet! But I forgive you—though alas! I fear, had I failed—failured, what fearful result would have ensued to me, I dare not contemplate."

"Do you freely forgive me, fair cousin!" asked Neal, bending his tearful face over the hand he held.

"Truly," she answered with a frank smile.

"And your false and treacherous husband, also!" asked Kemble with emotion.

"Nay, Kemble, I will suspend my forgiveness over your head, to be bestowed by and by only on good behavior," said the noble wife smiling—as noble in forgiving as noble in suffering.

From that day Kemble adored his incomparable wife who, restored to prosperity, conferred humor rather than received it, upon the elevated sphere in which she moved only to be admired and loved. The next year, Neal Gordon having discovered a beautiful woman whom he thought could make him as good a wife as any one Mrs. Neal (not in reality his married cousin Catharine, lad but to the alter, thereby publicly seeling his testimony to the truth which the "Wife's Trial" had led him to acknowledge, that true affection, unalloyed by regard for self, finds its home only in the devoted breast of woman.

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Shelley's Poetry.

It is not to be denied, that the poems of Shelley are justly chargeable with a considerable degree of obscurity. This arises, in a measure, from the fact, that they have little claim on the ordinary, every-day feelings of our nature. They do not come home at once to every man's business and bosom. You hear a song of Burns and are held in charmed attention to the end, for it is a stream of melodious affection gushing from the depths of one human heart, and finding its counterpart in every other. You sigh over a tale of Mrs. Hemans, for pity is aroused, and your mind follows that of the poetess, bound to it by the sympathy of a common joy or sorrow. You can read Scott with ease, for his poetry is but a rhymed narrative of thrilling incidents, or a description of external beauties, natural or artificial. Shelley's, however, is the poetry of intellect, rather than of sentiment. It appeals to reason, more than to passion. To be properly understood or felt, it must be read with careful attention. Thus, in our newspaper age, when most men seem like students in a law-office, to measure their proficiency by the number of pages they have dispatched over in a given time, is an insurmountable obstacle to extended popularity. Few can be found who will sit down with patient diligence, and peruse and ponder over an author till they feel his soul transfused into their own, see his visions, kindle with his aspirations, and glow with his enthusiasm. Yet until this can be generally done, Shelley cannot be generally known. Whoever does it will be amply repaid for all his trouble; for, where he has caught the spirit of the author, he will be like one who, tuning in rude mountain pasture, comes suddenly upon a valley with crystal streamlets, radiant of all sweet flowers and vocal with the song of birds.

The distinguishing feature in Shelley's mental constitution was the imaginative power in its highest and purest degree. This was the dominant faculty of his mind, and all the rest were, more or less, subjected to it. It has been well remarked, that the man of genius always continues to resemble the child in this;—that identity is the very life of his, the most trifling object or incident taking part in some imaginary train of romantic action or feeling. This was curiously exemplified by our poet's abiding fondness for certain amusements considered appropriate only to childhood. He had always a passion for the water, and when it roiling, and even after, would linger for hours over a pool or stream, twisting pieces of paper into the likeness of boats, and regarding them with intense delight as they floated over its surface. Ridiculous as this may appear to some, it gives us a clue at once to the character of the poet, and some peculiarities of his poems. A large portion of his most striking and beautiful imagery is derived from the water in its various states of repose or agitation, from the majesty of ocean to the rippling brook, or even the paint marsh. It is probable that many if not most of these struck his fancy, as he watched his tiny fleet, each of which might seem to his excited imagination

"A boat of rare device, which had no oar
Nor its own curved prow of thin moonstone,
Wrought like a web, of texture fine and fair,"

or that pink and veined shell, in which heaving gracefully, while its delicate colors glowed in reflected light on her joyous face and heaving bosom, Aphrodite was borne over the dancing billows, and first touched the golden sands of Cyprus. His imagination revelled among the most brilliant conceptions. He could invest every object in nature with beauty and interest, and "cast the shadow of his own greatness" over all that surrounded him. The words predicated to his Epipsychidion, and there ascribed to the lady to whom the poem is addressed, are emphatically applicable to himself:—"L'anima smarrita si ritrova fuori del Creatore, e si cerca nel infinito un Mondo tutto per essa, dove essa da questo essere e patisce l'estasi." Activity and fertility of imagination, combined with delicacy of apprehension

tionity." (Essays, I. 56.) Still, the finest passage ever clearly said by writers by him who, with equal facilities, has the greatest facilities, has the greatest facility in writing, and can clothe a noble sentiment at once in a dress that will repay all criticism. The example of Shelley, and all that he has left behind him, shows that it is unlikely, that in the future, the world will see a man who, with equal facilities, will do equal justice to his talents.

He was unknown to the public when his first poem, Queen Mab, was published. It was not, however, his first production. He had written two novels, Zastrozzi and Ollin Madie, which he had suppressed, and which, he said, he was ashamed of. He was a boy when he published Queen Mab, and it was, he said, the production of his early manhood. It was not, however, his style in verse, and his verse, although not entirely measured according to rule, rather harsh. In framing many of them he appears to have attended only to the division of his lines into the requisite number of feet, without regard to their musical intonation, thereby bringing several consonants together in such a manner as to render the pronunciation rough and difficult, and chiming a line in the middle of a sentence in an unusual manner, and in some instances requiring an accent on syllables other than those ordinarily accentuated. He has written in almost every measure of which our language is capable, and with varied degrees of success. His blank verse is generally marked by a noble Doric simplicity and elaboration of finish. The baby musicality lines correspond admirably with the full stream of exalted sentiment, lofty thought, and noble imagery which they convey. In the Spenserian stanza he was less happy, and has not often been able to produce those strains of mingled sweetness and grandeur into which it has been wrought by Byron. In some of his minor poems, as the Triumph of Life, Prince Athanase, and others, he has employed the "terza rima" of the Italians, which Byron has used in his Prophecy of Dante, and which he seems to have considered himself the first to introduce into English poetry. In this measure the thoughts and imagery are clothed, seemingly, rather as from time to time it is or not their intrinsic measurable, and it is, therefore, well adapted to Shelley's peculiar powers. One idea or illustration naturally another in close connection and interwoven, leaving the mind to pause until it arrives at one of the straight distances which occasionally occur. He which of Athenian mind occasionally in the verse of Pindar, which Byron has made immortal in Doppo and Don Juan. The lyrics, scattered throughout his poems, are among his finest productions. Some complain a manner of his art he was, when leisure or the humor of the moment led him to exert his powers. There can be no doubt that most of his poems would have displayed a higher degree of polish, had he been spared to give them a more careful and thoughtful critique in later years.

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Acknowledgment.

We give our thanks to a large number of the subscribers of the Post, for the very handsome manner in which remittances have been made to us, for some time past, and for the kind of the folks, in which they have been made. We shall endeavor on our part to do justice to them in turn.

A word to those still in arrears. We shall be much obliged for a quickly settlement, as the volume is now opened, and we wish to start, unencumbered by back balances. Let the accounts all be settled up, and we will take a fair start together and see who shall first die in the race. *We shall continue to issue a splendid paper.*

The State Debts.

The financial condition of many of our States is most deplorable. They are—to use a common phrase—over head and ears in debt. Plunged with a conscientious sense of their own wealth, they have gone on for a series of years, spending lavishly on State works and other projects, until the resources of the community have not only been wasted, but the commonwealth left without funds. To extricate themselves from these difficulties the States have resorted to loans, in some cases a commendable expedient, but often leading to increased extravagance. This game, continued for years, has terminated almost in bankruptcy. Not Pennsylvania only, but her sister commonwealths, have, by these means, plunged themselves into difficulties, from which, some, it will take years, perhaps generations, to rescue them. The evil is so wide-spread as to be almost national. While the Federal Government has liquidated all, or nearly all her debt, the States are involved to the extent of hundreds of millions. It is fully therefore to say the country is out of debt. In our national capacity, every one will admit, we may be so, but as a community, we are mortgaged for the payment of hundreds of millions, the interest on which some most meet, and the principal itself must hereafter be discharged by the labor and capital of our people. Why are we so deeply involved? Why are such abortive attempts made to liquidate our debt? The inquiry may be useful, it is certainly appropriate.

The causes of our involvement may be comprised in a sentence, "we live too freely." As a community we spend more than we can afford. One man here, and another man there, may live far within his income, but the great mass of the people transcend their means. We are in the position of a young spend-thrift, who is consuming his estate by a career of extravagance. Luxury runs in our midst. Gentlemen walks in jewelled turn in our cities. The homely but serviceable attire of our fathers, who were, perhaps, quite as rich as ourselves, is discarded, and French silks and Indian muslins are flaunted by our women, while the men strut to and fro, like peacocks, in gaudy velvet waistcoats. All conditions alike ape this show. Every class indulges in the extravagance. The servant will pawn herself of the necessities, in order to afford the luxuries of life. The fine lady will throw a poor man's living away on a fancy shawl, or a new cloak. No matter what may be one's income, it is too often exceeded. The consequences are plain. Our insolvent lists are like the roll-call of a regiment. They contain too those who have been rich, as well as those who have been poor, and that in almost equal proportions. And the result may be noted also in the drain of specie to pay for importations, and the monetary difficulties that convulse the land. We have not space to discuss this portion of our subject fully at present, but shall avail ourselves of the earliest opportunity to enter on the matter. We will merely say that both political parties are wrong on the subject,—and that the real, though not proximate cause of the drain of specie, is the extravagance of the people. Correct that evil, and you remove the chief cause of bankruptcy. Let us once more be solvent, and we shall fear no drain.

The state debts indeed are to be directly charged on our internal improvements, but the very rage for such works—often unnecessary—arises out of this spirit of extravagance. The same spirit of extravagance prevents the liquidation of the debt. Men are unwilling to be taxed; they require all they earn to supply them in luxuries. These men forget that the commonwealth is but a partnership in which every citizen has a share—that its debts are their debts—and that its dishonor is their dishonor. Under such a view of the question what is the duty of the citizen? Certainly not to evade the payment of the state debts—certainly not to increase it by loans for the payment of interest. The true course is to meet the interest by taxes, in which every man should bear his share. We all are indebted to the commonwealth for the security of our persons, and the protection of our property. We enjoy, as republicans, extraordinary privileges. Shall we not pay for them? Let us then consider the debts of the commonwealth as our own, and contribute each man something to his share, enough to save her from dishonor. We can do this easily if we unanimously. Let us be less extravagant, both as a state and a community, and the work is done.

A False Arrest.

Some excitement arose in our city a week or two since owing to the arrest of Dr. S. S. Finch, one of our most respectable citizens, on a requisition from the Governor of Connecticut, to answer the charge of forgery, said to have been committed seventeen years ago. We did not at the time allude to the matter, for we felt unwilling to wound the feelings of a family on a bare surmise, and this same unwillingness on account of the sensitiveness of the parties by Dr.'s friends. As we anticipated, the charge has been utterly refuted, and he is again in this city with his friends and family. The following card speaks the subject to conclusion:

"Dr. Samuel S. Finch was a day or two since brought into this State, by virtue of a warrant granted by Governor Porter, of Pennsylvania, under a requisition by the Governor of this State, on a charge of forgery, alleged to have been committed some sixteen or seventeen years ago. He called upon the undersigned to assist him as his counsel. A prosecution was instituted against him and he was brought before a Court of Inquiry, when the prosecuting officer having, as we suppose, satisfied himself by inquiry that the prosecution was entirely groundless, dismissed it without calling a witness.

Signed, CHAS. HAWLEY.

Lieut. Governor of the State.
JAMES C. LOOMIS.
D. H. BELDEN.

Bristol, Connecticut, Oct. 7, 1841."

True Criticism.

It is the part of the day to say that its critics exist in America. We deny the assertion—it is a western slander. So far as true criticism is concerned—we mean that system which seeks to pick out the beauties of a work—we do not hesitate to say that we are as far in advance of the old world as we are in other things. We do not mean by this assertion that we are not indebted to Lord Kaimes, Hazlitt, Blair, Jeffrey, and others, for our principles of criticism. The European critics are our teachers, and we are their pupils. But we have improved on our teachers, and have made the science of criticism a matter of practical utility. The true critic never who did not pronounce on a book from mere whim, but from the application of certain fixed rules. Like an anatomist he dissected a work before he gave an opinion on its structure. Like a chemist he analyzed a book before he hazarded speaking of its component parts. He applied the test to detect the worth of the production. Germany has produced such critics in abundance, but the fault of that school is to be too metaphysical. Our own country has more than one critic of like stamp, but England is radically deficient in them. It may seem heresy to say that her large Quarterlies abound with essays, but contain few real criticisms. Yet so it is. The Edinburgh Review is the first of its kind—let us examine its claims to authorship.

This journal is often spoken of by persons who know it only at second hand. It was first projected by a few young men, with more talent than cash, and more wit than either. Its contemplated merits were forth with Attic salt the history of its conductors "from season mediocrum mens." Its critical creed may be parodied from the old man's dying advice to his son, "Be witty, honestly if possible, but be witty." Accordingly we find that the earlier numbers of that Review are distinguished by spicy, though unjust, attacks against books of no universally prized; and by eulogies on works long since forgotten. Neither Jeffrey nor Smith—the two leading critics of the journal—understood their art as an art. They were excellent at rhetoric—they were strong on constitutional law—they possessed a dashing, brilliant entirely style. But neither pretended to authentic criticism. They never thought of analyzing a work. They judged no production according to any given rules of art; but they handed or condemned it, often unjustly, and always from whim. All the great poets of which this country has been so fertile were laid on its Procrustean bed, were tortured by its rack, were burned at its *auto de fe*. Wordsworth and Southey were said their poetry "would never do," Scott's Marmion was met with a hostile review, Coleridge fared little better, Moore had nothing to boast of at its hands, and from even Byron Jeffrey tried to cast out the evil spirit, though he forced to his cost that there were returned to torment him seven devils worse than before. Indeed the whole history of the Edinburgh Review is a history of misplaced wit and short-sighted criticism. No one now reads the writings of Jeffrey, or even Smith, to arrive at a just opinion of any given work. We peruse them as we peruse the writings of Junius, more for the wit and style than for the matter.

So it is too, in a great measure, with the later contributors to the Edinburgh. We will take Macaulay as an example, both because he is thought a great critic, and because he is fully equal to any of his predecessors. That he holds a brilliant pen—that he is thoroughly at home in English history—that he has dived deep into Italian literature—and that generally he is a scholar, a fine stylist, and a man of taste we will at once admit; but in saying admitted this, we must be allowed to say that Macaulay is, by no means, the thorough critic he is usually imagined to be by those more acquainted with his name than with his writings. He discusses his subjects too much like an advocate, and too little like a judge—and to our mind a critic should resemble the latter rather than the former. Excepting Macaulay's articles on Milton and Bacon, what has he written that may be called critical?—and even of Milton and Bacon he has said less than of the times in which they lived. His paper on History is perhaps the least objectionable on this point. His review of Ranke's History of the Popes—his article on Hallam's Constitutional History—his discussion of Nugent's life of Hampden, and a dozen other papers we might name, are rather elegantly written historical essays, bold, masterly sketches of the men, manners and spirit of the age, than criticisms on the works they profess to discuss. In short, Macaulay is a brilliant writer, bold, sketchy, and declamatory, full of antithesis, burning with eloquence, capable of seizing and presenting the strong points of his case, a historian, an advocate, a warm partisan, a writer of unrivalled tact, but less a critic than an essayist. If any man doubt us, let him take down this writer's Miscellanies, read them carefully through, and endeavor to pick out new ideas on literature. He will then find his error. He will see that the brilliancy of the style, and the amazing historical knowledge displayed, have blinded his eyes to the scanty matter of the criticisms on books and literature. He will admit that Macaulay the great English *critic*, is scarcely any critic after all.

Death of Mr. Payne.

Mr. Payne, who, it will be recollected, was the officiated lover of Miss Rogers, has been found dead.

His body was discovered on Friday, the 8th inst. near the place where the unfortunate girl was murdered. An inquest was instantly summoned, when a verdict was found of "Death by Compression of the Brain," brought about by exposure and irregularity of living, incident to aberration of mind.

The brother of the deceased gave the following testimony on the inquest.

"The deceased was strongly attached to Mary Rogers. Since her death he has been moody, and at witness thought, not exactly in his right mind. He has not been habitually intemperate. Witness had only seen him in liquor once during the last three years. On Thursday of the present week he dined at home. He appeared unhappy, and as though he had been drinking a little. Witness had not seen him after dinner on that day, until he saw his dead body."

In regard to the time and manner in which the deceased came by his death, a Dr. Griswold, of New York, testified that he was walking with a friend along the gravel path, toward the grotto at the point, when they saw a man prostrate upon one of the seats by the way side, near where the body of Mary Rogers was found.

His head was down upon the gravel, and his legs across the bench. He ran and raised him up—saw he was near his end—observed a convulsion of the chest. He died in two or three minutes. He had no hat on, but an old chip hat lay near him. (This hat was produced.)

While another witness was under examination, but testifying to no material point, additional interest was created by the arrival of two young men from the spot where it is supposed Mary Rogers was murdered, bringing with them a hat, a white parlor handkerchief, and the fragments of a vest, the body of which yet contained a few drops of handscum. It was labelled handscum, from Plum Stoolland's.

Mr. Payne at once identified the hat as belonging to his brother. He purchased it in Chatham street; and it had the crape which the deceased had pinced upon it in mourning for Mary Rogers. Of the handkerchief the witness knew nothing.

Mrs. Loss, the landlady of "Nick Moore's House," testified positively that the deceased was not the man whom she saw at her house with Mary Rogers on the 25th of July. That man was both younger and smaller than the deceased.

The strangest feature in this tragic story, is the fact that the hat and handkerchief were perfectly dry when found. It had rained, as all know, nearly all day, and much in the night.

Among the papers found on the body were the following lines, written in pencil:

"*To the world*—*Here I am on the spot. God forgive me for my misfortunes in my unexpect time.*"

Previous to his death, Payne had been seen, for several days, wandering, haggard, penniless, without food or lodgings, around in the vicinity of Weehawken.

A Strange Execution.

In the year 1836, a new ate part of the child of a day laborer of Falaise, (Normandy) named Janot. This accident reached the ears of the judge, who condemned the animal to suffer publicly the penalty of retaliation, as prescribed by law. The face and one arm of the child had been devoured; the one was mutilated in the same manner, and then hanged by the executioner in the public place, amidst a concourse of people. The judge presided at the execution on horseback, with a feather in his hat. The father was forced to attend, by way of punishment, for not taking proper care of his child. The culprit, when brought to the gallows, was dressed like a man, wore a waistcoat, breeches, and gloves, and had a mask before his face.

Death of Commissary General Irvin.

We learn that General Callender Irvin, Commissary General of this State, died in this city on Saturday night last. General Irvin was appointed Commissary General, we believe, by the elder Adams, a situation which he held through every succeeding administration, and which he filled with uprightness and honor. He was President of the Pennsylvania Society of the Cincinnati when summoned, as we trust, to a higher companionship in that world, exempt from trial and change. They who do full of years and honors, leave the long line of their footsteps to be seen by those who come after them. They have departed, but in their example they still instruct the living.

Shocking Accident.

A terrible accident occurred on Tuesday week, about one o'clock in the afternoon, on the railroad between Worcester and Albany, from the collision of two trains of cars, coming from opposite directions. The name of the engineer on the down train was Stephen Ward, of Worcester, and that of the engineer on the up train was Ward, of Boston. A large number of persons were killed and wounded, the number is not ascertained at the time we write, but it is probable the accident to the third hundred, two rods. The cars had just been completed through the mountains, and the expectation of the city there was probably established. The train from the east arrived first at the usual time, three minutes past 12 o'clock, when it was expected the train from the west would meet it, and after the usual time to be occupied in taking in passengers and receiving the mail, the train moved on, meeting the shock and result which we have to communicate.

Both trains were under the greatest speed when the concussion took place—jointly proceeding at the rate of fifty miles per hour—the western train, from the advantage of the grade under much the greatest speed, escaped with the least injury. The engines of both trains, with the passenger cars immediately attached to them, were thrown from a total mass of ruins. Of the passenger cars attached to the engine of the train proceeding west, not a vestige was left upon the wheels but the heavy timbered frame work, the whole body being shattered into splinters, leaving nothing except the tin roof and the window frames of the sides, which were separated and thrown several feet ahead of the running part of the carriage. All the passenger cars were considerably injured—the rear cars most fortunately escaped total destruction.

It would seem from the inevitable juxtaposition into which the cars were thrown that not a passenger could have escaped with his life. But most miraculously, not a life was lost, though several persons were dragged from the ruins in a most horrid mutilated condition.

But the most distressing and heart-rending scene was exhibited at the Depot of Westfield, where the wounded were mostly brought for assistance. As the baggage car containing the bodies of the wounded, came rolling ponderously along, propelled by no other power than that of a few men, a death-like stillness pervaded the crowd of spectators which had assembled to witness the scene! To witness the bleeding,—groaning and agonizing sufferers, was indeed a melancholy spectacle—one which the lookers on might well hope to be spared witnessing again.

Six or seven are as informed, are suffering with broken limbs, but all it is hoped will recover. A number of other persons are lost seriously injured. Two have died; Mr. Warren, the conductor of the downward train, and one of the sons of Mr. Blandgood.

Great Storm.

The town of Utica, N. Y., was visited, on Friday last, by a very severe storm. A correspondent says: "It was the most severe and extraordinary hail storm I ever witnessed, or that has occurred here at any time, within the recollection of the primitive settlers of the city. Indications of a severe shower began to exhibit themselves from the rest between 2 and 3 P. M., and in the space of half an hour the entire horizon changed its complexion, from brilliant sunshine to the darkness of the blackest thunder cloud. After a preliminary flash of lightning or two, the windows of heaven opened, and the descent of hail was so full of hail as was indeed serious to look upon. Not a stone fell that was not as large as an ordinary hickory nut, and but few exceeded the size. The almost perfect uniformity of their size was the greatest wonder about the storm: yet the tremendous force of the fall was almost frightful. There was but little wind at the time fortunately, or not an unprotected pane of glass would have been left in the eastern windows of a single house in the city. In, perhaps, five minutes the hail abated, the wind chopped round to the north, and the hail lay on the ground to the depth of two or three inches. Presently, however, the storm resumed its fury, and the north pelted us quite as fiercely as the east had, and for thrice the length of time—leaving on the ground three or four inches of hail. In the course of some twenty minutes, however, the hail gave way to rain, which continued falling on hour or more, melting and snapping away the remains of the icy visitation."

Public Meeting.

A public meeting for the promotion of Common School Education, will be held at the Musical Fund Hall, in Locust street, on Saturday evening, the 16th inst., commencing at 7 o'clock. The call of this meeting is made at the request of the Secretary of the Pennsylvania "Common School Society," who is about to make a tour through our Commonwealth, for the diffusion of information in reference to education.

Addresses may be expected from J. Orville Taylor, Esq., Secretary of the above Society, David Paul Brown, Esq., and others. The meeting is free, and our citizens are respectfully invited to attend.

A. D. Bache.	John Ludlow.
W. M. Meredith.	T. Dunlap.
Jos. R. Chandler.	J. J. Barclay.
Edmund P. Fry.	J. Reese Fry.
Chas. B. Desmond.	C. G. Cayley.
B. W. Richards.	Jas. R. Ingersol.

Chicago.

The wheat trade which commenced at Chicago is steadily increasing in importance. The American, of that city, speaking of the number of wagons laden with wheat which are arriving there from the interior, says:—

"Teams a short time since came from a distance of one hundred and fifty miles which we thought of itself was doing very well. Soon after, we found to our great amazement, that they were coming in from a distance of two hundred miles, and they now come in from sections of country two hundred and fifty miles off, and bearing south, southeast, and southwest. This absolutely makes to the market at this very time of about one-half the State of Illinois, a large portion of Indiana, and a very considerable part of Wisconsin."

Literary Property.

The manuscript of "Robinson Crusoe" ran through the whole trade and no one would print it. The book seller who at last bought it, cleared 1,000 guineas by it. "Burn's Justice" was disposed of by its author for a mere trifle, as well as "Buchan's Domestic Medicine," both of which produced immense incomes. "The Vicar of Wakefield" (the most delightful novel in our language,) was sold for a few pounds. Dr. Johnson fixed the price of his "Lives of the Poets" at 200 guineas, by which the bookseller, in the course of a few years, cleared upwards of £5,000! Tonson and all his family rode in their carriages with the profits of the Spectator of Milton. The copyright of "Tyre's Spelling Book" sold for 2,000 guineas.

Books and Publishers.

Books, says Sir Richard Phillips, are a lottery, with three or four blanks to a small prize, and five hundred blanks to a capital prize. Thus, a publisher labors like Sisyphus. During the 18th century, but few publishers in England were able to realize fortunes. He cites a few cases, however. The Thompson family became opulent through a patent for 100 years, to supply the public offices with stationery. Miller left £30,000; Cadell left £30,000; Dodsley £70,000; Dilly £30,000; and Johnson £25,000. But Hodges, Cooke, Harrison, Crowther, Evans, Robinson, and others died insolvent. He adds that there are not less than 1600 dealers in books in and around London, and about 3500 out of London, and in other parts of Great Britain.

Colt.

The trial of Colt, in New York for the murder of Mr. Adams, which was to commence on Monday last, has been postponed three weeks. The New York Editorial contradicts, on the authority of a relative of the lady, the report that Mrs. Adams had, in consequence of her loss, been deprived of her senses. The following singular statement, the same paper says it has been assured, is true. Two days before her husband's disappearance, she dreamed, twice, that he was murdered, and that she saw his body cut into pieces and packed in a box. The dreams gave her great concern, from their vividness, and the went once to relate them to her mother, but did not, from the apprehension of being laughed at.

The Cabinet.

The Madisonian of Saturday, announces that John C. Spencer, Esq. has accepted the appointment of Secretary of War, and is expected to arrive at Washington on Monday. It says the Cabinet, so reorganized, is equal in every point of view, if not superior to the Cabinet of any administration since the Presidency of Washington. As reconstructed, it stands thus: Secretary of State, Daniel Webster, of Massachusetts; Secretary of the Treasury, Walter Forward, of Pennsylvania; Secretary of War, John C. Spencer, of New York; Secretary of the Navy, Abel P. Upshur, of Virginia; Attorney General, Hugh S. Legare, of South Carolina; Postmaster General, Charles A. Wickliffe of Kentucky.

Counties.

These small shells pass current for money in various parts of Hindostan, more particularly among the lower classes. A gentleman named Carr, residing at Cutback, paid the wheels of the presents attendant upon the erection of a bungalow at the above station in "Cowries" alone. The building stood him in 4,000 rupees store, equal to £440 sterling. Now, as 64 of these shells are equivalent in value to 1 "piece," and 64 piece equal to 1 rupee sicca, the number of shells that passed through his hands upon the above occasion was 16,384,000. The bungalow in question is now converted into the church of that station.

McLeod's Trial

Continued.

As we felt warranted that it would greatly our readers to have a full and complete report of the trial of Alexander McLeod, without being compelled to wade through a mass of unimportant, and irrelevant matter, we have been at some pains and expense to gather them. We therefore by hasten from the week, every important fact which has occurred during the trial, and every part of evidence, with the points in the speeches bearing upon the case. In this we distance every other weekly newspaper, so we are confident that our paper will give as complete a report as the one hereafter mentioned. It will be seen that we have not transposed in the least upon our usual variety of news and literary matter. The great size of the Post gives it many advantages over other Philadelphia weekly papers, by enabling us to present every thing of moment, whether public documents, speeches or trials, more in detail, without transgressing upon the general variety of the news and literary matter.

The trial of Alexander McLeod at Utica, N. Y. on the charge of having murdered Amos Durfee in an attack on the American Steamer "Caroline," December 29th, 1837, at Schlosser, New York.

The people of the State of New York, ex. rel. Alex. McLeod, indicted for the murder of Amos Durfee.	Counsel for the prosecution, Willis Hall, Atty. Gen. of the State of N. York, S. S. Hawley and J. L. Wood.

For the defence, Joshua A. Spencer, of Utica, A. C. Bradley and H. Gardner.

First Day.

The proceedings commenced on Monday, October 4th, 1841, in the Oneida County Court of Oyer and Terminer, Judge Gridley presiding.

At 10 o'clock the prisoner entered the Court, and after several challenges objecting to jurors, and excuses made by jurors who were called, on the ground of conscientious scruples respecting the penalty of death—the jury was formed.

Mr. Hall opened the case, commented on the excitement the trial had occasioned, cautioned the jury not to be led away by party feeling, contended that Alexander McLeod was one of the party that attacked and burnt the Caroline, and that he, and others with him, shot and murdered Amos Durfee, on the night of December 29th, 1837, at Schlosser, N. Y. He then gave a history of the insurrection in Canada—the assemblage at Navy Island, probably, with an intent on the part of some to make a hostile demonstration on Canada; but he contended that many were there from mere curiosity—that the steamboat Caroline was not in the employ of the "Patriots," being private property—that on one occasion only did she convey a six pound cannon to Navy Island—that the law of nations declared contraband the conveyance of military stores to a belligerent, and prescribed that a neutral vessel taking such stores was a lawful prize; but that she could only be taken on the high seas, or in the waters of the belligerents, and never in the waters of a third or other neutral nations. In the assault, the boat was burnt, and sent flaming over the Falls of Niagara, by a British party, and Amos Durfee was shot on the soil of the United States. The orders of a sovereign were limited to his or her territory, or by being at war; but could have no effect within the jurisdiction of a Government with which that sovereign was at peace. Cases were cited—and Mr. Hall contended that the adoption by the British Government of the act of McLeod, could not be admitted. The indictment was read, consisting of seventeen counts, placing the charges against McLeod in every possible light—and the Attorney General concluded by exhorting the jury to admit no operation or influence of prejudice—to do their duty boldly—ever bearing in mind, and drawing around them in letters of fire, the solemn admonition of "be just and true not!"

The first witness called was William Wells, who stated that he lived in Buffalo, had bought the Caroline; had her cut out of the ice to trade between Buffalo, Black Rock, Schlosser and Navy Island; that she was his own boat, and employed by no one else. She was boarded by several hands' crews from the British side, some of whom cried, "Kill the damned Yankees." She was set on fire, and Amos Durfee shot on shore, while escaping. He (the witness) had heard that seven persons were running in all. When she was boarded, there were no persons on board except one man named Durfee, twenty-two or twenty-three persons in the boat, sleeping there—Durfee was not employed on the boat.

Cross-examined by Mr. Spencer. Did not know the name of any one missing except Durfee. Captain Appleby was with the boat to manage her. He (the witness) has bought the boat with a Mr. Stanton, but witness had paid the money, with an understanding that Stanton might have half the boat, on paying him half the money. He had no bond of Stanton's from any one—but a bond was talked of—to be signed by twenty citizens of Buffalo, to indemnify him for damages to the boat in cutting her through the ice—had heard that five persons signed; took about twelve men on board at Black Rock; did not remember whether they were armed, except one rifle; but they might have been—and he put them on board a scow at Navy Island. Went with boat from Schlosser to Navy Island and back several times; at one time took a six pound cannon, a horse, straw, boards, some muskets (could not say how many)—did not know to whom they belonged—privates and passengers. There were about two hundred and fifty men on Navy Island, with ten or eleven cannon—understood that Van Rensselaer commanded. Did not charge regular force—not particular about prices—there had been firing between Navy Island and Chippewa—couldn't exactly say whether he intended his boat to be used as to be most serviceable to the Navy Island operations—and then added—"I believe that I did." Believed he was referred to an Executive Committee in Buffalo—was present at a "Patriot meeting" there.

Re-examined by Mr. Hall—Was not a member of any association in the patriot enterprise—went to Schlosser on his own business, and for his own gain. There were cooks on board for Navy Island—did not know if they contained cayenne balls or "boiler punches, to be used as grape shot. *Adjourned.*

Second Day.

Daniel Stewart proved the attack upon the Caroline, &c. as already stated. He was watchman on board. It was customary to keep watch on board steamboats. The assailants cried, "Give the damned rebels no quarter." Saw no firing from the warehouse—heard the clashing of swords and pistols going on board the boat, from which he had escaped to the wharf; saw Durfee's dead body over dying on the dock.

On a cross-examination by Mr. Spencer, the witness corroborated the fact of a cannon, and a few muskets having been on board, and many persons coming and going from and to Navy Island—fifteen or twenty from Schlosser who were not armed, and saw only two muskets in the ladies' cabin. He was not molested while going on shore after the attack; saw two or three go ashore before him, but none afterwards.

Frederic Emmons, lived at Schlosser, proved attack &c. to the death of Durfee; he was at a house near. On a cross-examination, this witness said—"Captain Keeler ran out of Mrs. Field's house, and fired the only musket they had there, after the boats that were rowing off." Witness did not hear that the object of the boat was to assist the Navy Islanders. An invasion of the Island from Canada was expected—but he had heard of no contemplated invasion of Canada from the Island.

Mr. Hall objected that the evidence was taking too wide a latitude.

The Court ruled that the historical facts of the case should be admitted.

James Field corroborated the above, adding that the "line in which the musket was fired from the house, was five or six rods below where Durfee was found lying dead." In cross-examination, this witness said—"there were large assemblages of people at Schlosser, and previous, since, also, brought there in wagons and cars for Navy Island. Did not know where they came from."

Mr. Hall objected that this evidence might be very proper for another forum, but not in this case.

Court admitted the evidence.

Cross-examination resumed. "The militia were called out to oppose the Patriots—which partly made up the number of people and arms at Schlosser. Musket was fired from Field's house, rather pointed upwards. Cannon &c. went to Navy Island, both before and after the burning of the Caroline."

Court ruled that this sort of evidence had been sufficiently gone into, it being proved that Navy Island was occupied by a belligerent force, and that there was firing between it and the Canada shore.

Mr. Spencer took an objection to the Court overruling his offered proof of minute details of force on the Island; and the exception was noted.

John C. Haggerty, Henry Emmons and John Hatter, were then examined, but no new point elicited, except that the last witness stated that no one on board was intoxicated; and that there was nothing but powder and wad in the musket fired from Mrs. Field's house, the object being to frighten those in the boats, as they feared the house might be attacked.

James A. Smith said he was on board the Caroline, was a "dead-head" passenger (one who did not pay, as the other witnesses were;) also that he heard a gun fired when he was at the gangway, and some one fell at his side.

James H. King, was mate of the Caroline. He said the boat was set on fire by placing a lamp in a company bucket in the ladies' cabin, by the man who handed from the boats.

Gilbeam Appleby deposed to the following new facts. One of the men threatened a second at him, and cut his coat, but did him no bodily injury, as he stood on the companion stairs. He then supposed it was Alexander McLeod, to whom he had been introduced at Buffalo, but he might have been mistaken. Cross-examined by Mr. Spencer;—"I do not say it was Alex. McLeod."

Samuel Brown, a bar-keeper for Mr. Smith, at Chippewa, swore positively that "McLeod was one of the men who got out of the boats when they returned from the destruction of the Caroline." "Had a belt round him, and a cutlass and hanging by his side." The cross-examination elicited but little variation as to more minor points of his testimony. Witness went from Connecticut, U. S. eight years ago to Canada—"to make money, no other object—returned in 1836. Was but a few feet from McLeod when he saw him, by touch and fire-lights on the shore."

Isaac P. Curran, a master-builder, residing at Niagara Falls—knew the prisoner—saw McLeod in Davis's tavern, coming out, on the day after the destruction of the Caroline, and heard him relate to a crowd about him, his exploits on board the Caroline," McLeod said;—"they will not wish to see me there again, as I have put one damned Yankee or two out of the way." No one near disputed McLeod's assertions. He spoke of the Yankees as rebels and robbers, and said he would like to be on just such another expedition to burn Buffalo. On cross-examination, the witness said that he and Caswell knew they were witnesses in the case, had spoken together, and that it had been (at the trial) first struck him (witness) that Caswell was seen by him at the tavern.

Third Day.

Charles Parke. Was a native of Canada, and raised at Chippewa. Knew McLeod for years, and as (McLeod) being Deputy Sheriff at Niagara. Was a bar-keeper at Davis's tavern—saw McLeod on the bank of the river with the men who were going to cut out the Caroline. A few days after she was destroyed, he heard Capt. Stewart, Major Cachran of the Dragoons, and four or five more say in purport, that McLeod had killed a Yankee. He positively saw McLeod get into one of the boats. Couldn't tell which boat, and on cross-examination said there were eight boats, but only seven left the shore. He came over from Canada to Buffalo, to buy things a week before the trial; did not know who had asked him to go on board the boat to come over.

Henry Myers, a native of the United States, but at the time of the burning of the Caroline, a resident of Canada, and now of Cattaraugus, United States—swore he had heard McLeod say on the day after the Caroline was destroyed, to a crowd of soldiers and others in the bar-room of a tavern, and when some one asked, "where's the man that killed Durfee?"—he replied;—here he is, I'm the man!" He then pulled out a horse pistol and said it was the pistol with which he had shot him. Then he pulled out a sword and said—"there's the blood of a Yankee!"—holding up the sword. There was blood dried on the end of the sword for about four inches. On a cross-examination, the witness admitted that he left Canada on the following day, on account of the trouble. McLeod had threatened him because he was a Yankee, and then said he would let him off if he would treat. He did so, and he's all drunk together in the tavern.

Calvin Wilson, Perry Sherman and Vanderpoel, swore to seeing McLeod at a tavern in Niagara, when one Reynoock, a Customs Collector in Canada, asked McLeod—"how many were killed?" McLeod replied—"I think not more than three or four—five might have fallen. One thing I do know, that one (—) Yankee, a rebel, was shot on the wharf." On cross-examination—witness said—"I am quite sure that I saw McLeod there—as sure as I saw Reynoock there, and that he spoke the words." Witness had run away from Canada, "I have not taken a great part in Patriot affairs. I have aided the refugees since the destruction of the Caroline—have given them $200, and entertained them at my house."

The Court here reminded the witness that in so doing, he had broken the laws, but that he need not answer questions criminating himself.

Mr. Spencer. Are you a member of any secret society, not being Freemasons?

Witness. I decline answering. Mr. Buck supposed me. (Witness declined answering several other questions.)

Elijah D. Effers, Marshal of the District, took two hundred stand of arms from General Sutherland and others at Black Rock, and deposited them at the Guardhouse at Buffalo. Visited the boat at Navy Island, but deposed to no new fact.

Seth Hinman, of Youngstown, Knew McLeod. Saw him the day after the destruction of the Caroline, in front of Davis's tavern. Would not answer the question—"whether he belonged to any secret society?" The Attorney General objected to the question, on the ground that Prisoner's Counsel was endeavoring to elicit testimony on this trial, to be used in another place.

Mr. Spencer, replied—"I seek to bring forth only that testimony which is legitimate. I am but counsel for the prisoner on trial for his life—am here in no other capacity. I believe that the prisoner is innocent of the charge, and before the end of the trial, his innocence will be proven to the world. When witnesses are summoned hostile to him, hostile to his country, wishing for his conviction to gratify the worst of feelings, a desire for war—when I see and know this, I should be recreant to my own duty, not to expose such witnesses."

The Attorney General replied—and the Court ruled that the line of cross-examination was proper.

Seth Hinman resumed, and said he was not a member of any association against the Canadians; but would not answer the question—"have you ever been a member?" He had been in Hunters' Lodges.

Charles Yates, heard a man at Queenstown Ferry, say in reference to the burning of the Caroline—"d—n them, we gave them a lick, and I should like another job of the kind. Was told that person was McLeod—but he did not recognize him as the prisoner.

William W. Caswell deposed to no new fact.

Amos D. Quimby, corroborated the statement of McLeod having boasted the next day, that he had Yankee blood on his sleeve and sword, saying—"we killed two (—) Yankees." He (witness) was a native of Pennsylvania. On a cross-examination, he said he did not remember having told this story to Governor—he had been promised the payment of his expenses.

Jacob F. P. Stevens, saw McLeod about getting into the boats that went out to destroy the Caroline; but he spoke only of three boats instead of seven or eight, and otherwise differed on minor points from previous witnesses.

Several witnesses were called, but did not answer, and attachments were issued. Mr. Wood, one of the Counsel for the prosecution, left for home, in consequence of illness in his family. Mr. Jenkins acted for him.

Leonard Anson, carpenter, of Lockport, but formerly of Chippewa, corroborated the testimony given, that McLeod said at Davis's tavern—"I have killed one d——d Yankee, and here's his blood"—pulling out a pistol. Witness was a native of the United States. On cross-examination said—"I have no connection with the people acting on this side against Canada; but I have the feeling; and I suppose it is only such as any American would feel." Mr. Philo Smith wrote me to come down to the trial—did not get a subpœna. I saw the blood on the breach of McLeod's pistol.

This rested the case for the prosecution.

Mr. Spencer. I wish the Attorney General to understand my view of this case—that he cannot call evidence, if he rests, to the main charge, but only in reply.

Attorny General. "I shall only call witnesses to rebut testimony, though other facts may come out.

The Defence.

Mr. Spencer opened the defence with clearness and ability—laying down as *positive*—first, that murder could not be committed (legally and individually) under the circumstances, because the accused acted under the orders of his Government; and the United States Government regarded the matter as a National offence. Secondly—that McLeod was not one of the party that destroyed the Caroline, and that an *alibi* could be proven, remarking:—"McLeod had no more to do with the burning of the Caroline or with the killing of Durfee, than rather of you, gentlemen of the jury." It would be shown that, on the deposition of Colonel McNabb and another, a list was made out of the names of all who were in the expedition for cutting out the Caroline; and that McLeod was not among them; and that Colonel McNabb and others saw the expedition depart, but did not see McLeod, whom they knew intimately. It would also be shown on the evidence of Capt. Jno. Morison, a retired British officer, that McLeod slept at his house at Stamford, five miles off, and it could be shown that he boats were by the fire all night down stairs—that he was seen to go to bed and to come down the next morning, and that he could not possibly have been in the expedition. It will be proved that he went in company with Mr. W. Peters, one of Hamilton, U. C., from Davis's tavern on the night in question to Captain Morison's. And the Counsel would ask what the jury must think of some of the testimony they had heard, when the evidence for the defence should be laid before them? They could have no difficulty in pronouncing the only verdict that justice, the prisoner, and the American nation demanded.

Fourth Day.

Alexander C. Hamilton contradicted the statement made by Wilson, as to the presence of Reynoock in company with McLeod at Niagara, shortly after the burning of the Caroline. On a cross-examination, the witness said he was not sure of the time, but did him no bodily injury, as he stood on the companion stairs. He then supposed it

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The Money Market.

The money market presents little variation. During the week a few hundred dollars of State fives were sold at 77 cents on the dollar. This falling off may be attributed wholly to the action of our currency. These stocks were created under a redundant, and consequently a very cheap currency; and now that the public have withdrawn their confidence from it, a depression of prices is inevitable. Besides, that market abound for this peculiar manufacture has, from various causes, been closed. Instead of the fond mongers of England now seeking American securities with avidity, these moneyed gentlemen are in the market, and so actively engaged in shuffling their sinking securities back on to us as the several States were industrious in passing it upon that nation. From these considerations, our stock market is crowded—it amounts more than equals the idle capital in the country; hence the fall of prices which has already taken place in that particular description of investment, and which, except where the value is brought up by heavy taxation, our surprise would not be excited should the downward tendency show itself still onward.

United States Bank notes are at a discount of 43 to 44 off for currency.

Business is fair. A little falling off has been perceptible among jobbers, especially in the Pennsylvania trade, but no this is owing to the election,—matters will no doubt immediately commence. Goods have advanced but little in consequence of the tariff.

We give the following quotation for the week of

Sales of Stocks.

By the Philadelphia Board of Brokers, for the week ending Thursday.

		Price sold for
453	shares Girard Bank.	91¼@93
30	do do Farmers Bank.	2¼@3
77	do Schuylkill Navigation Co.	47
38	do Min. & Mec. Bank, Pitts.	43
17	do Louisville Bank.	70
15	do Penn Township Bank.	41
9	do Mechanics Bank.	94½@94½
5	do Philadelphia Bank.	71
7	do Vicksburg Bank.	4
7	do Phil. & R. R.	25
7	do Phil. Wil. & Balt. R. R.	31¼@31½
5	do Commercial Bank. Cincin.	80
2	do Pennsylvania Bank.	200
$2500	United States Bank Notes.	57½@59

Election News.

City Returns.

Candidates.	
Common Council.	
Samuel Morris,	5,555
Peter McCall,	5,539
John C. Davis,	5,541
J. J. Boswell,	5,519
Isaac Barton,	5,537
George Campbell,	5,537
Andrew Cochran,	5,490
Henry C. Corbit,	5,509
Samuel Bowle,	5,533
J. L. Dutton,	5,516
Jacob E. Haggert,	5,522
Thomas C. Rockhill,	5,526
Robert Pearsall,	5,546
Charles A. Repplier,	5,492
James Leslie,	5,546
Caleb Hand,	5,561
Thomas S. Smith,	5,496
Thomas Snowden,	5,525
B. W. Tingley,	5,544
David Winebrenner,	5,413
John Rutherford, Sr.	4,765
John Troubat,	4,792
William George,	4,783
Hiram Sweet,	4,782
Aaron S. Lippincott,	4,821
John Porter,	4,799
Jacob Reed,	4,815
Henry G. Freeman,	4,874
Thomas Roney,	4,872
William Dilworth,	4,806
John Ashton, Jr.	4,796
Henry J. Fangeray,	4,776
Jacob Hubell,	4,763
Jacob Keck,	4,777
John R. Patterson,	4,790
Ferris Price,	4,791
William Sharpe,	4,796
Lewis Ryan,	4,799
James Magee,	4,773
John Wilbank,	4,748
Governor.	
John Banks,	5,920
David R. Porter,	4,300
Mayor.	
John M. Scott,	5,658
Samuel Badger,	4,693
Sheriff.	
Henry Morris,	6,199
James H. Hutchinson,	3,944
Daniel Smith,	214
County Treasurer.	
Joseph Plankinton,	6,144
Hugh Clark,	3,636
Michael Fenner,	119
County Commissioner.	
John Lentz,	5,841
Henry D. Lentz,	4,610
Auditor.	
John Clowges,	5,777
Michael W. Ash,	4,621
Congress.	
Joseph R. Ingersoll,	5,922
Thomas M. Pettit,	4,596
State Senator.	
Henry S. Spackman,	5,903
Jacob Gratz, (1 year)	5,784
George Emlen, "	4,503
Robert Ewing, (1 year)	4,586
Assembly.	
William A. Crabb,	5,850
James B. Beers,	5,814
George Sharswood,	5,849
C. B. Trego,	5,848
E. Joy Morris,	5,835
John Rush,	5,804
William F. Boan,	5,836
David C. Skerret,	4,547
Aaron Waters,	4,517
Francis Brideland,	4,523
Joseph H. Newbold,	4,529
William A. Stokes,	4,526
George P. Young,	4,526
W. Sayre Heyburn,	4,466
Select Council.	
Thomas P. Cope,	5,839
Charles S. Smith,	5,526
Matthew Newkirk,	5,496
James Y. Humphreys,	5,542
John Trucks (two years)	5,494
Joseph R. Evans,	4,863
Samuel H. Perkins,	4,863
Michael Baker,	4,831
Evans Rogers,	4,834
William Camm (two years)	4,823

It will be seen that the Whigs have carried the city. The names of their candidates come first in the list.

The *Liberty Ticket* averaged about 100 votes. At the last election it was 60.

Horton, the Anti-Monopoly candidate for Governor, received, at the several City polls, forty or fifty votes—which were returned under the head of "scattering."

The average Whig majority on the City Assembly ticket is 1300; on the ticket for State Senate, 1300; on the Congress ticket, 1296; on the ticket for Mayor, 955; on the ticket of Select Councils, 964; and on the Common Council, 773—exclusive of the Abolition and scattering votes.

County Returns.

Governor.	
David R. Porter	11069
John Bank	7332
F. Julius Lemoyne	57
Sheriff.	
ss. H. Hutchinson	6984
Henry Morris	7813
Daniel Smith	2267
Manly Rowe	14
County Commissioner.	
Henry D. Lentz	1043
John Lentz	6960
A. G. Rowland	11
County Treasurer.	
Hugh Clark	1946
Joseph Plankinton	5441
J. S. Pickering	5
Auditor.	
Michael W. Ash	18[illegible]
John Clowges	5772
Elisha Swinney	4

Part of Montgomery is not included in the above.

Senators.	Dem.	Whig.
E. A. Penniman	11291	Peter A. Keyser 5829
Thos. McCully	10810	James Todd 5857
Assembly.		
John Pidcock	10497	J. F. Hoarsley 5822
John Painter	10471	Jacob Moyer 5633
Thos. M. Scott	10579	J. P. Heston 5848
J. L. Hancock	10473	T. Lambeth 5826
William Bunnell	10470	Samuel Kurtz 5867
John W. Ryan	10483	T. Robinson 5843
John J. McCahan	10291	J. P. Townsend 5811
A. L. Roundsir	10290	G. W. Delaney 5818

Northern Liberties.

	Mayor.	
	Dem.	*Whig.*
John M. Cannon	2446	John Conrad 1743

Spring Garden.

District Commissioners.		
Whigs.		*Democrats.*
J. Parker,	490	E. Higgins, 447
A. M. Eastwick,	499	Thos. H. Forsyth, 454
J. M. Bolton,	496	J. N. Jack, 447
N. Grow,	497	S. Rex, 453
J. B. Barnes,	501	J. Kenworthy, 436
Scattering.		5

Recapitulation.

The vote for Governor and Sheriff in the city and county is as follows:

Governor.	Porter.	Banks.
City,	4,280	5,920
County,	11,099	7,332
	15,479	13,252
	13,252	
Porter's maj.	2,227	
Sheriff.	Hutchinson.	Smith. Morris.
City,	3,964	214 6,199
County,	6,984	2,265 7,613
	13,878	2,481 13,812
		13,878
Morris's majority,		934

Mr. Smith is a Democrat, and has been the unsuccessful candidate for Sheriff twice before. Not obtaining the Democratic nomination this year, he ran on his own strength.

The Legislature.

As far as heard from, the following is the result of the Election for Legislature.

STATE SENATE.

	Dem.	Whig.
Philadelphia county,		
Franklin, Cumberland and Adams,	7	
Philadelphia city,		*2
Dauphin and Lebanon,		

* One to fill W. B. Reed's vacancy.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Philadelphia county,	8	
Franklin,		2
Philadelphia city,	2	
Cumberland,		2
Adams county,		1
Lehigh,	1	
Schuylkill,	1	
Berks,		3
Delaware,	1	
Chester,	2	
Berks,	4	
Northumberland,	1	
Chester,	2	
Montgomery,	3	
York,		3
Lancaster,		6
Lebanon,	1	
Perry,	1	
Dauphin,		2
Mifflin, Juniata and Union,	3	
Columbia,	1	
Huntingdon,		2
Lycoming, Clearfield and Clinton,	2	

Governor's Election.

Reported Majorities.

	Porter	Banks.
Philada. county,	3767	
Philada. city,	4500	1540
Cumberland,	650	
Berks,	4536	
Delaware,		301
Berks,	434	
Northampton,	1159	
Lancaster,		3164
Lehigh,	334	
Franklin (in part)	300	
Lebanon,		293
Montgomery,	1263	
York,	1332	
Chester,		259
Schuylkill,	900	
Adams,		396
Huntingdon,		300
Perry,	953	
Northumberland,	987	
Union,		600
Mifflin,	210	
Columbia,	1400	
Lycoming,	900	
Dauphin,		375
Monroe,	1000	

* Thaddeus Stephens is elected to the Assembly by 200 majority.

The Harrisburg Reporter claims a majority of 20,000 for Porter. The Inquirer (Whig) says it will probably reach 15,000.

New Jersey Election.

We have received the result of the State Election in New Jersey, held on Tuesday and Wednesday, from the following counties and towns:

Burlington county, Whig majority,		400
Mercer, " "		80
Burlington city, " "		21

FOR ASSEMBLY.

	Whig. Council.	House.	Dem. Council.	House.
Burlington,	1	6		
Cumberland,	1	3		
Mercer,	1	3		
Hudson,	1	1		
Essex,	1	7		
Cape May,	1	1		
Somerset,	1	3		
Middlesex,	1	4		
Morris,	1	4		
Essex,	2	1	2	1
Salem,	2	1	1	1
Bergen,			1	2
Sussex,			1	3
Warren,			1	2
Passaic,			1	1
Hunterdon,			1	4
Atlantic,			1	1
	9	35	8	17
Monmouth not in, probably Dem.			1	4
			9	21

The present Governor, Pennington, a Whig, will therefore be re-elected by the Assembly.

Maryland Election.

Returns from all the counties in the State have been received, and give Francis Thomas, democratic candidate for Governor, a majority of 560 votes over Johnson. The House of Delegates will consist of 56 whigs and 19 opposition members, not including the tie in Queen Anne's. The whig majority in the Senate still secures a whig majority on joint ballot.

Georgia Election.

Sixty-seven counties have been heard from, which give McDonald, democratic candidate for Governor, 26,055, for Dawson, whig, 23,161. McDonald's majority so far 2860. Twenty-six counties remain to be heard from.

Wilmington, Del.

An election for City Councils took place at Wilmington, Del., on Tuesday last. The democrats carried their ticket throughout.

Election in Wisconsin.

Dodge (opposition) is probably elected a Delegate to Congress in Wisconsin by 400 to 600.

McLeod.

Immediately after the rendition of the verdict in his favor, McLeod left the court house in company with his counsel. There was no commotion, no attempt to insult him. This is a sad rebuke to the slanders of many of the Canadian presses.

Emigrants.

Hundreds of emigrants continue to quit the old world for the new. The ship Roscius has just arrived at New York with three hundred and fifty on board.

General News.

Wonderful Preservation.—A distance of 52 miles has been travelled on the common road, in a Bath chair, by electro-magnetic power, in the short time and a half. The apparatus comes over daily from St. Albans to the Bank of England in the said chair in half an hour, at an expense of six-pence. The power of an electro-magnetic engine, which has been exhibiting at the Adelaide Gallery for some days, is so independent of ingenious mechanical arrangement, whereby contact is broken and renewed, the pulse renewed, &c. and from its performance gave great promise of practical results on a larger scale. The battery employed is the nitric acid, or Grove's battery. Of the invention that has done the great feat, and established the successful application of this wonderful agent, we know little more than its success. We hear that the increase of power is due to the discovery of a new combination of elements; that this is the secret of the moving power; and that the battery is to be the subject of a patent.

The Death of a Boy.—The New York Express states that on Sunday evening last, the Coroner held an inquest at No. 7 Franklin street, on the body of John Waters, a boy of fourteen years of age. The deceased was employed in the office of the "Spirit of the Times," in folding papers in the damp and unhealthy basement, under the American Hotel; and on Friday night spent the time so usual, to escape the cold of folding. Not knowing that he was in there, the door of the basement was locked on Friday night, and the boy being missing on Saturday morning, the door was forced, and he found lying on the ground insensible. He was conveyed home, and died at half past one o'clock on Sunday morning. Dr. Maxwell made a post mortem examination, and the jury found a verdict of "Death from Apoplexy."

A Shocking Death.—On Sunday, the New York coroner held an inquest at the house of Captain John Helme, in 125th street, between the 3d and 4th Avenues, on the body of his son, John Dayton Helme, aged fourteen. The deceased, who was a good rider, mounted and rode a spirited horse on Saturday afternoon, when the animal becoming suddenly frightened, reared and threw the boy, whose foot was kept fast in the stirrup leather, while his head dragged on the ground more than a quarter of a mile, when he broke away and expired in death in ten minutes afterward. Verdict, that he died of injuries received by being accidentally thrown from a horse on the 9th inst.

The French Squadron.—The Norfolk Beacon of Friday week says:—The division of the West India squadron under the command of Vice Admiral Arnoux, consisting of the frigate L'Armide, Capt. Garnier, brigs Bisson, Captain D'Augilbeucourt, and L'Antoe, Captain Louvel, sailed yesterday for Martinique. This squadron has been in our waters for about six weeks, and has not, we learn, lost a man by desertion or sickness. The deportment of the officers and crews was correct and gentlemanly, and we learn that they left our harbor highly gratified by the hospitalities of our citizens."

Home Squadron.—We learn that this squadron is to be composed of the following vessels: The Independence, razee; the frigate Columbia; the sloops of war Falmouth and Vandalia; the brig Boxer; the schooner Grampus, and the two steam frigates, Mississippi and Missouri.

Orders have been sent to our Navy Yard for the construction of two steamers of the medium size, carrying six hundred tons. One of them is to be propelled on the principle of the Archimedes screw.

British Naval Forces.—The Quebec Mercury of the 7th says:—"It is stated in a private letter, dated Halifax, 2d October, that Admiral Sir C. Adams, Commander on the North American and West India station, had arrived the previous evening in H. M. S. Pique. A rumor prevailed in Halifax that Her Majesty's ships now in the West Indies had been ordered to rendezvous there to wait the arrival of McLeod's fate, and that the arrival of some of them might be hourly expected. We give this report as we received it."

French and English Fleets.—France has now in commission, 161 vessels of war, including 28 armed steamers, of which 39 mount from 36 to 120 guns. England has 163 vessels in commission, including 29 steamers, of which forty mount from 36 to 120 guns. Should a war occur between the British Lion and the French eagle, it is pretty evident that we shall meet trouble on the water, unless we can borrow the navy of our Gallic friend. In single combats, however, our tars cannot be beaten!

Cholt.—The Hartford Review of Saturday contradicts the rumors that have been afloat in regard to the family of that young man. The intelligence of his son's arrest was first communicated to his father in private by an intimate friend of the family, and it is not true as has been stated, that the father became deranged in consequence, neither is it true that he had previously disowned his son for filial disobedience.

An Unfortunate Tinder.—The Montreal Herald thus vents its spleen upon Oregon, and his countrymen:

"We again do ourselves the honor of complimenting the rascal sent, and the rascals who receive him, on their strong mutual friendship for each other, and they may feel assured, that the British Government will not dirty its hands with any of them, if they will only be careful to keep out of its reach."

Goods.—The New York Express says there is undoubtedly an immense stock of goods on hand, much larger of some descriptions than is wanted, or than will be sold for months to come. The temptation to escape the new duty, has been such, that many foreign houses have been induced to ship, and the disposition to advance on consignments, is the great cause of the rise in Foreign Bills.

A Mill Burnt.—We learn from the Cumberland (Md.) Civilian of Saturday, that the mill of Mr. David Ellis, situated a few miles below Old Town, in Allegheny county, was destroyed by fire on Friday night, October 1, with a large quantity of grain. It is believed to have been the work of an incendiary. The loss is estimated at between two and three thousand dollars.

New Prisons.—We have seen a letter from a distinguished gentleman abroad, stating that the English model prison will be finished next year. It is on the plan of separate confinement, and it is thought that when finished, it will be the most complete prison in the world. An institution of the same plan is in the course of erection at Perth, Scotland.

Steamboat Explosion.—We learn from the Savannah papers that the boiler of the United States mail vessel Benefort exploded on the 4th inst. when the boat was about eight miles from the mouth of St. John's river, and killed four blacks and one white boy, named James Jones. Another black was badly scalded, and is not expected to live.

Bank Robbers Guilty.—The Albany Journal says that A. Brown, T. J. Green, and W. C. Francisco, were severally arraigned on Tuesday last before the Herkimer County General Sessions, on the charge of robbing the Herkimer County Bank of 74,000, and plead guilty on the charge. They will receive their sentences at the close of the term.

Singular Arithmetical Fact.—Multiply the figure 9 by any other single figure, and the two figures composing the product, added together, will make 9. Thus, 9 multiplied by 4 makes 36, which two figures added together make 9, and so with all other figures.

A Libel.—The editors of the New York Commercial say that they have been served with a writ for a libel, at the suit of Samuel O. Ogden and Thomas H. South, "upon which the damages are laid at the pretty sum of *one hundred thousand dollars*."

The Scourge at Vicksburg.—A letter, says the Cincinnati Chronicle, written by a merchant at Memphis to his partner in this city, states that at Vicksburg on the 26th ult. there were fifteen deaths of yellow fever, and seven the day previous.

The Belle Poule.—The Mediterranean states that the frigate Belle Poule, which carries the Prince de Joinville, was one of the first of the French vessels to fire a gun in behalf of the Americans, in the revolutionary war.

Appointments at the President.—We learn that J. Washington Tyson has been appointed Commissary General, and that John G. Watmough has been appointed Surveyor of the Port in Mr. Tyson's place.

A Rich Freight.—A new and elegant steamer, the Louisa, recently left St. Louis, having two boats in tow, and carrying upwards of 900 tons of freight, being the largest ever sent from that port by one vessel.

The Repealers.—It is said that there are 2,000,000 of people in Ireland, already pledged to Repeal; and that at the great Leinster meeting, 100,000 attended, no less than 20,000 being mounted men.

Fishermen Captured.—The Boston Courier states that the schooners Morse, Bonnet, and Egret, Spears, of Gloucester, were captured by an English privateer 236 ult., and carried to Guysboro', N. S.

An Election was held in New Orleans on the 29th and 30th ult. and 1st inst. for a member of the Legislature. Mr. Hunt, the whig candidate, was elected by forty majority over Col. Pierce.

The U. S. Loan.—The New York Courier states that part, if not the whole of the United States Loan, lately advertised, has been taken at par for a six per cent. stock.

Immense Pumpkin.—Among the attractions at the New Haven Agricultural fair, was a hog weighing four hundred pounds. This was literally a "whole hog."

The Breach in the Canal.—The Harrisburg Reporter states that the breach on the Pennsylvania Canal above Duncan's Island, will be immediately repaired.

Arrived.—Colonel John Hare Powell and family, of Philadelphia, arrived at New York on Friday week, in the packet ship Hendrick Hudson, from London.

A Great Fire.—Letters from Constantinople state that between 300 and 400 houses were burned near the Seven Towers on the 23d of August.

Lunar Rainbow.—A beautiful lunar rainbow was visible from Kennebec between eight and nine o'clock, on Saturday evening, the 2d inst.

Elizabethtown (N. J.) Railway.—That portion of the Railway between Bound Brook and Somerville will be completed within a month.

A Heavy Business.—It is said that the traffic on the London and Birmingham Railway, has risen to within very little of 230,000 per week.

Large Pumpkin.—A pumpkin weighing one hundred and fifty-two pounds was exhibited at the late Agricultural fair at New Haven.

A Valuable Horse.—The celebrated horse "Physician," was recently sold in England for five hundred guineas, to go to France.

Dirty Burglary at Baltimore.—Two persons were arrested on Monday night at Belle Grove, Md. They were previously suspected of being thieves, and were closely watched, and detected in the act of robbing the room of the hotel, and, when detected, threw parcels of money from the windows of the room in which they lodged into the trees in front of the house. The amount taken was found to be about $2,000, nearly all of which was recovered. The villains were arrested and committed to await their trial at the present term of the City Court.

The Penal Code of Alabama, passed by the last Legislature, took effect on the 1st inst. The Mobile correspondent of the New York Advertiser writes that it is one of the most rigid and severe laws of any State in the Union—as much so as to make many sections of it a "dead letter." That kind and warm-hearted sympathies of the people are a serious barrier in a rigid administration of justice. Penitentiary is not yet quite completed. A good deal of opposition prevails in that State to the Penitentiary system.

From Havana.—The schooner Warren arrived at Charleston on the 8th inst. from Havana, which place she left on the 1st. A manifesto of the Intendant new Don Geronimo Valdes, dated the 29th September, declares that piratacems, which have heretofore passed currently at 25 cents a piece, hereafter in all dues, shall only be taken at their real value, 20 cents, and that an old law to that effect will be strictly enforced.

A Queer Story.—The Northern, N. C., Spectator says:—We have been informed that dame nature has performed a most singular freak among the tenacious tribe, in the county of Cabarrus. The scallops, oysters and clams had taken the scarlet fever, and all are found upon being opened to contain a quantity of blood, and bloody gelatinous matter. This is a singular fact in the natural history of these marine productions, and deserves investigation."

The Mahometans and Books.—It is stated that the Fatimite Sultans collected 2,600,000 books, which were preserved in Bagdad. The late Sultan was a fine writer, and a patron of letters. Some of the Caliphs, too, patronized the arts and sciences as much as Pericles.

Home Squadron.—It is now ascertained that this squadron will be composed of the following ships of war:—Razee, Independence, frigate Columbia, sloops Falmouth and Vandalia; the brig Boxer; schooner Grampus, and steamers Missouri and Mississippi.

The Steamship Caledonia, from Boston for Halifax and Liverpool, which left Boston on Saturday, the 3d instant, was seen on Sunday, the 3d, at 11 o'clock, making but slow headway. It was blowing a gale at the time.

A New National Steam Frigate is about to be commenced at New York, and is to be propelled by Hunter's horizontal propellers. Her construction is a sort of an experiment on a large scale.

A Man Stabbed.—John Mather, who was one of the few persons who escaped from the wreck of the Home, was dangerously stabbed in New York, a night or two ago, by a drunkard.

City News.

Schuylkill Coal Trade.—The shipments from this region last week, including the Little Schuylkill, amount to 22,112 tons. Total this season, 449,174 tons—of this amount 193,336 tons were brought over the Mine Hill and Schuylkill Haven Railroad, and shipped from Schuylkill Haven. The shipments to same period last year, 339,988 tons. Excess in favor of 1841, 109,186 tons. Freights to Philadelphia at $2; to New York, $4.10.

Searches.—On Sunday evening last, a large number of colored people congregated together in Seventh below St. Mary street, commenced quarrelling and fighting. In a scuffle, the clothes of one of the women, one Ann Jones, named Ann Johnson, stabbed another named Elizabeth King, severely in the face. Johnson was arrested and taken before Alderman Campbell, who committed her to the county prison. King was carried to the Hospital.

Fugitive Arrested.—A man named Thos. Brown was on Sunday morning arrested by Lewis H. Smith, as a fugitive from the justice of the State of New York, charged there with the larceny of $1,300, the property of a man named Moore. Brown was on the point of leaving for Ireland, and had engaged and paid for his passage to Europe, in a vessel from this port.

Accident.—A boy named Murphy, aged about 12 years, was killed at the corner of Eighth and Market streets, on Monday, by being run over by a loaded car on the Railroad. We are informed that he was on the car and fell off, although the train was moving slowly. The wheel came in contact with his head before he could be recovered from his position.

Child Burned.—On Monday afternoon, a small child, the parents of which reside in Coates street, between Second and Third, was burned in a most shocking manner, by its clothes taking fire. The mother of the child went out, leaving it alone in a room in which there was a fire kindled, and with which it probably played in her absence.

Attachments.—At the suit of Fletcher, Alexander & Co. and Brown, Brothers & Co. two attachments were on Monday morning issued by the prothonotary of the District Court against Munroe Edwards, after John P. Caldwell, to attach such goods, chattels, moneys and effects, as belong to him, and as yet are in possession of Recorder Vaux.

A Grand Cow Chase.—There was quite an aquatic fete on Sunday on the Delaware. A drove of cows contrived, by the breaking of the chain, to tumble from the steam ferry boat into the river. A few swam to the island, others were caught and hoisted upon the wharf, others were attached to their horns. It was a busy scene for a time.

Speaking under the eye of Justice.—On Monday a juror in the District Court had his hat stolen, containing a pocket handkerchief. He was obliged to return to his house bare headed.

Sunday Excursions.—The Sunday Excursions on Steamboats up and down the river have been discontinued for the season.

Shipwreck and Loss of Life.

The Quebec Gazette gives the following particulars of the loss of the barque Amanda, of Limerick, communicated in a letter dated

"Malta, 29th September, 1841.

"I have to inform you of the loss of the barque Amanda, Captain Burns, from Limerick, which came on shore at Little Metis Point, at 5 o'clock on the 24th inst. She had 40 passengers and a crew of 18. The captain, two seamen and two apprentices, were among the saved.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq. emigrant agent has kindly favored us with the following list of the passengers and crew of the barque Amanda, Solomon Davis, master, bound for Quebec, cleared on the 17th August, and sailed on the 22d August from Limerick:

Passengers saved.—James O'Neill and Catharine O'Neill, children of James O'Neill; Patrick Haslam, county Kerry; Timothy Murphy, Michl. Hall, Maurice Hall, Philip Sarsfield, James Nevill, and Margaret Malony, of the county of Limerick, and Mr. O'Neill, of the county of Cork.—Total passengers saved—10.

Passengers Lost.—Stephen Keenan, county of Clare; James Slattery, Patrick Clancy, Ann Murry, Mary Hall, Mary Hall, (aged 60) John Hitchen, Margaret Hitchen, John Hitchen, Maria Hitchey, Frederick Harden, Daniel Carney, Jeremiah Conners, Catharine Eustace, of Limerick; John O'Brien, of the county of Clare; Mary Cummins, Catharine Cummins, Ann Cummins, Michael Cummins, and Michl. Cummins, of the county of Galway; Julia Crawley and Patrick O'Neill of Clare; and Thomas Kennedy, of Dungle.—29.

Male adults lost 11—Female adults lost 12.—Total adults 23—Children lost 6—Total passengers lost 29.

Crew *Saved.*—Solomon Davis, master; Edward Bounsly, second mate; Timothy Behane, seaman; Patrick O'Brien and John Donnelly, apprentices; also one seaman name unknown—Total 5.

Crew *Lost.*—Patrick Beake, 1st. mate; James McIndry, carpenter; Michl. Higerty, cook; John Fuley, steward; David Keele, John Harper, John Graham, Thomas Allan, Patrick Shannon, Thomas Harte and John Hines, seamen; James Cusack, and Francis Johnson, apprentices.—Total crew lost 12.

Another Revolution in Mexico.

Recent advices from Mexico authorize the belief that another struggle is about to take place among the different belligerents of Mexico, for the mastery in that self-abused country:

"Santa Anna has collected a considerable force at Perote, where he reviewed his troops on the 30th ult. Several corps were on their march from different points to join the main body. No one supposed this force was intended immediately to operate either against Yucatan or Texas—though it might eventually take one or the other directions, according to circumstances.

At Xalasco, in Guadalajara, a state convention, the call for which we noticed on a previous arrival, had been held—it declared in favor of the constitution of 1824—formed a state convention and appointed General Paredes Governor. The State of Guanajuato, Vera Cruz, Tamaulipas, Puebla, and indeed all of Southern Mexico, have followed that example, and pronounced in favor of restoring the Constitution of '24.

The Congress of the 1st of Sept. (the latest received) asserts that Gen. Paredes approaches the Central capital, operating in unison with an old friend, who has with him some companions. The old friend alluded to is undoubtedly Santa Anna; and when it is considered that the Cenaco paper has long been the mouth-piece of the sentiments of that chief, it gives force to a report that he has formed a union with the Federals, for the double purpose of driving present usurpers from power, and regaining the reins of Government which he lost on his defeat at San Jacinto. A gentleman who arrived at Vera Cruz with the conducta, on the 30th, and who has arrived here, informs that they met Santa Anna's army on the road; and the belief was generally and freely expressed by the citizens, that he was marching to the capital."

A Dreadful Accident.

On Saturday afternoon, says the Baltimore American, five lads, between the ages of twelve and fifteen years, were playing about a sand bank a short distance from the city on the Bel-Air road, when the bank gave way and buried three of them under it, from each they were dug out entirely dead, they were dead. It appears that the three went into the pit and endeavored to throw down the bank by loosening the earth with sticks. The two who were on top saw the earth giving way, and warned their companions of their danger, but before they could retire the earth fell on them. Assistance was immediately procured, and the bodies taken out after a lapse of about forty minutes, but all exertions to restore life were unavailing. One of the deceased lads was a son of Mr. James Fleming, another the son of Mr. Charles Grimes, and the third a son of Mr. W. F. Baker, all residing in or near north Gay street."

Late and Important from Florida

Three steamers arrived yesterday from Florida, bringing intelligence from the west of war up to a late date. From letters and verbal information by these arrivals, we make up the subjoined extract and summary of the news received.

There has been quite a heavy storm at the South, but we are glad to learn that no serious damage was sustained.

On Sunday, 26th ult. eight miles from Gary's Ferry, a party of Indians killed Mr. Jonathan Thigpin and a Mr. Barber, and drove off some cattle, taking with them about twenty bushels of corn; they were followed the next day, and the place found where they had camped during the night.

On the 29th, near Black Creek, Messrs. Blanch and Penner were fired on, and the former killed. The latter escaped. On the 30th, about eight miles from Fort Crane, two brothers named Hallards were killed.

The Express rider due at Palatka on Sunday night, had not arrived when the Northern left at five P. M. on Monday, and it was feared that he had been killed.

Accident to the U. S. Steamer Beaufort.—We have seen a letter from Captain Peck, from which we learn that one of the boilers of this boat burst on Monday, 4th inst. at one o'clock, A. M. scalding one white boy, named James Jones, and five blacks. Four of the blacks and the white boy were killed.

The white boy, we understand, is a son of Mr. James V. Jones, Carpenter, of this city.

The negroes scalded are—

Abram, free Navassian—dead.

Cosine, belonging to Mr. Middleton, of this city—dead.

Sue, belonging to Mr. Pyrchon, of this city—dead.

Ned, belonging to St. Mary's—not expected to live.

The boat at the time of the accident was in the St. John's River, about eight miles from the mouth. Her hull is not much injured, the explosion blew it on upward direction, breaking the main and promenade decks. She was towed to Palatka on Monday, by the steamer Newhaven.—*Savannah Republican, Oct. 7.*

More Exploits of the Great Forger and Swindler.

It appears from some letters published in the Boston Advertiser, that Col. Monroe Edwards has been practicing his tricks in England. He forged a letter in the name of Daniel Webster, recommending Edwards to the kind consideration and attention of Earl Spencer, and requesting the latter to lend Edwards assistance in carrying out a laudable object, the emancipation of 700 African captives illegally held as slaves in Texas. Earl Spencer received the letter last spring, and was wrung upon by Edwards, who asked the loan of 250 pounds, offering as security certain bonds and receipts upon some bank in the United States. Earl Spencer referred him to his solicitor, who took the letter to the Messrs. Baring. The latter said the letter was a genuine one, and the money was lent him, as he pretended to be in difficulties and could not get assistance. Lord Brougham who has assisted him before being abroad, and the American Minister at London being indisposed to aid him because he was adverse to the object Edward's had in view. This plausible tale was believed until an interview took place between Lord Brougham and Earl Spencer, when the character of the swindler was exposed. Lord Brougham had been presented by Edwards with a similar letter, pretending to come from Daniel Webster, and a loan was asked, but Gen. Hamilton, the Minister from the Republic of Texas, wrote to Lord Brougham to say that this Edwards had been convicted and imprisoned for forgery in Texas, and had escaped from jail. Mr. Webster has just been made acquainted with the facts, by letters received by the Acadia. Mr. Webster says that Edwards tried to play off similar frauds some time ago on Mr. Van Buren and Mr. Forsyth.

Water Spout on Lake Erie.

On Friday evening last, says the Cleveland Herald, between 5 and 6 o'clock, our citizens enjoyed the sight of a rare and imposing exhibition in the natural world, commonly known as a "water spout," which passed in front of the town, within half a mile of the shore. It seems that what we call a whirlwind upon land, causes a water spout at sea, when the wind forces are sufficiently powerful to raise water.

Those who are whirlpools in the atmosphere, result from the meeting of different currents of air, and form a vortex in the same manner as eddies in running water by obstructions or counter currents. On Friday the wind blew strong from the N. E. until about 5 P. M., when it changed suddenly to west, still blowing a gale and bringing onward a dark and threatening storm. A few minutes before the change of wind, the whirl which caused the spout, came off the land two miles west of the pier, producing a great agitation of the water, raising and driving about the spray with great fury, the sun rising high at the time. In a short time there came a portion of the low black cloud which lay directly over the troubled portion of the water, descended in the form of a large sack, half way to the surface of the Lake. It was apparently of the size of a large hay stack, hollow, and the spray or vapor of which it was composed had a spiral and upward motion, around the cavity of the column. It proceeded from shore in a N. Easterly direction, not in a regular track, but with constant and sudden deviations, perhaps two miles; the portion descending from the clouds, at times almost dispersed by the strength of the gale.

From Canton.

We have an arrival from Canton, at New York—the ship Lowell. She sailed on the 20th from Macao and on coming out met the British Fleet from Calcutta, bound up the river, having on board Sir George Gordon Bremer, Commander-in-Chief, and Colonel Pottinger, the new British Envoy. The fleet consisted of ten ships of war of different sizes.

Captain Rammondo says that there was not much change in the position of affairs when he left Canton.—The Chinese had principally left the city, at least that part of it within the services of the residents of British Subjects, who could only occasionally see a Chinese subdier apparently without arms observing them. The river was almost deserted by boats, and the usual scene of activity was entirely gone. Some difficulty had occurred in regard to securing the American vessels at Canton. The Huntress, whose cargo was either ready or on board, had not on that account been despatched.

When Capt. Rammondo was on the point of saying he learned that the British at Canton, were all on the point of quitting three, the Chinese Troops continued encamped outside the walls apparently in large numbers.

Another Murder.

Two men named Christopher Donnegan,

Original Novel.

Written for the Saturday Evening Post.

The Cyprian Princess.

A Romance of the Twelfth Century.

BY E. A. DANTLAY.

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A month had elapsed since the return of Basile, who, having supped with my father, I was passing along the gallery which divided our apartment, I observed Zozimo, an officer of Basile's household, approach cautiously, and speak in a whisper to Leonora. Then he conducted her to my apartment I enquired the meaning of this secrecy. She replied by repeating Zozimo's communication.

"*It is ourselves that the Princess Sophia should grant me a private audience immediately; but it cannot be arranged with too much caution. I will await your reply in the lime grove, in the east garden.*"

"Go, Leonora," cried I, "bring him here, that I may learn without delay what new misfortune threatens me. "This man's mystery alarmed me;—I tried to vanquish a sadness caused by some dark premonition! I liked not this calumnior which Basile displayed; it was inconsistent with his character. I called to mind his former denunciation; "*I know not my son in a rival!*" and my bosom was filled with terror. I prayed Heaven to preserve the innocent and noble Theophilus from all dudgeon.

Leonora succeeded in conducting Zozimo to my apartment unobserved. His air of consternation confirmed my fears. This Zozimo had two brothers, the one, Narses, commanded a battalion of infantry—the other, Crysge, was captain of a ship. These three brothers were persons of birth—merit, and valour, and were attached to Basile, being indebted to him for their fortunes. He looked upon them as creatures of his own; and did not permit himself to doubt their fidelity: but they did not consider themselves bound to repay their patron by stooping to the commission of the vilest of crimes! Zozimo entreated me to quiet my alarm.

"Madame," said he, "you have reason to rejoice, rather than weep. The Prince Theophilus is safe—congratulate yourself that he has fallen into the hands of men, who would sacrifice their own lives to save his!"

"Just Heaven!" cried I, "has he been in danger! Who has done this?"

"Madame, *his unnatural father is his sole enemy!* You will scarcely credit the plot I am about to unfold. Since the decree of the King, annulling his former engagement to the Prince Basile, and sanctioning your betrothal to his son—Basile, burning in secret with the worst passions of our nature—exhibiting to public view only the most amiable feelings, has been plotting the overthrow of a project which so entirely destroyed his own ambitious views, and robbed him of the object of his passion. He found that in no other manner could he so effectually accomplish his purpose, as by removing his son—not simply by banishment; but by the commission of a horrible crime! a crime at which nature shudders, and which he had resolved to perpetrate, even in his own palace, and with his own hand!"

I shrieked with horror! Zozimo entreated me to listen to the conclusion, he promised me again that Theophilus was safe, and then continued.

"My brother Crysge, and myself professed to hand ourselves to the schemes of the Prince, only to ensure the safety of his son, to whom we are devotedly attached. We persuaded Basile to abandon his designs of taking the life of Theophilus with his own hand.

"You will because," said I to him, "as odious to the Cyprians, as he is dear—you would fall a sacrifice to their fury."

"To prevent the possibility of the execution of his design, it was necessary to propose a substitute—which we did; and had the good fortune to obtain his approval. Theophilus was to be enticed on board my brother's vessel, where Crysge was to sink him with a poniard, as soon as he could find a favorable opportunity—set sail for some distant port—secret the body for a few days,—and then, the fathomless waters of the sea were to hide all traces of this monstrous crime! Purposing to be departure of the vessel, two lights, one at the bow, the other at the stern, were to be placed as a signal to Basile, that he *cloud* was no more! This was evening concerted at dusk I prevailed on the young Prince to accompany me on board of the vessel. He is there now,—he knows not yet, that to save him from the fury of a murderous father, he is to be torn from Leonora,—from all that he holds dear! He is now partaking of a banquet, prepared for him by my brother; in order to prevent him from wishing to return on shore before the preparations for sailing are completed. I have persuaded Basile that his son is on board—and the *father*, in whose heart, love, envy, and jealousy, have stifled all the tender sentiments of parental affection, received the tidings without remorse, and is absolutely blind to the joy of being able to destroy his rival! he even declared that he should await in an agony of impatience the signal which is to make known to him that all is over!"

"Wild unnatural monster! at last then, ch! nature produced!" exclaimed, as Zozimo paused. "I shudder with fear, and horror! Dear Theophilus, thou art for ever lost to thy country,—and to thy unfortunate Sophia! But I will fly to you there—I will give up all honors for thy sake—we will dwell together on some lone and distant shore."

"Calm yourself Madame," said Zozimo, "all will yet be well; we take him from you, only to preserve him for you—and his country—fear nothing. I have yet more to relate. Narses is commanded to appear before the gates of Lumisso with two thousand men, in secret it is necessary, Basile's safety; but my brother will conduct them only for his ruin. Basile flatters himself that the uncertainty of the fate of Theophilus will afford him time and opportunity to win the Cyprians by a feigned action—and by offering them real benefits. He hopes, that ultimately, a universal suffrage will hail him King!

"Behold! Princess, the letter which Basile writes to Narses:—it should alone be the instrument to finish your misfortune. I give it into your hands that you may cause it to be read by the most zealous friends of the young Prince. It is proper that the Cyprians become acquainted with Basile's treachery. Let Leonce be entrusted to communicate it to them. Let them be assured of their Prince's safety—that Crysge and myself are true and loyal—that we take him away to be restored to them whenever it can be accomplished with safety. But Madame, the *letter* I have given to you ought not to be exposed until Narses appears before the gates of the city. Here is another which I have written to Narses; wherein I have informed him of our plans—I tell him to join the people in compelling Basile to fly. This letter I wish conveyed to him by a trusty messenger as soon as possible after his arrival. Remember! Princess, the value of all that is at stake, and that every proceeding requires firmness and prudence. Let Leonce be trusted; he is both faithful and energetic. He can read the proof I have detailed to Narses. Time permits—I must return to return to Theophilus. My brother will sail for Venice, where Theophilus and myself will disembark. The lights at the stern and bows of the vessel will inform Basile (as he kindly believes) of the consummation of his desires—while to you—they shall announce our safe departure. Adieu! honored Princess," he added, "Heaven favor your designs."

The horrible state of mind into which I was thrown by this faithful recital, prevented the utterance of words—the blood was frozen in my veins—but, the moment I saw Zozimo about to depart, my strength returned, and I conjured him to which *over the safety of an unfortunate Prince who was so dear to us all*, and I expressed my deepest gratitude for his inestimable services—and requested him to assure Theophilus that my heart and hand should be kept sacred for him alone through every change.

In about an hour after Zozimo's departure, I saw from the balcony of my apartment which overlooked the harbor, the lights which were to act the signal of the vessel's departure, and to *him*, the barbarous father! of a deed which should deaden his every pulse—and fasten in his soul the pangs of another world.

I remained on the balcony till morning dawned—bathed in the night dew—which I hoped would cool the burning fever that raged in my veins.

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Leonce came—sadness and fear pictured in his countenance. He found Leonora supporting me in her arms, both bathed in tears.

"What means this?" he inquired, "you are afflicted with some misfortune!"

"Where is my Prince! My beloved Prince!" I then related him some portion of the information I received from Zozimo. He started back with uplifted arms, and rose and sadness with surprise and horror, then exclaimed.

"What! Basile! by the murder of his only child would open his way to the throne! Ah! unhappy Cyprians! what manner of king has offended Heaven deserted for you! Can such a monster be permitted to breathe! His past excellence, has present crimes demand prompt vengeance." After relating to Leonce all that Zozimo had confided to me, I gave the letters.

"Read," said I, "and make use with prudence of the means provided to save your country from the yoke of a tyrant, and a murderer!"

"Must I read this?" he replied, "trust all to me—I see clearly what course to pursue, in order to secure your happiness—the return of Theophilus—and the safety of the state. I will confer with those loyal Cyprians who conducted the deputation to the king on your behalf."

Leonce thought it prudent to visit Basile, and assume some inquietude in regard to the absence of Theophilus. Basile with a composed air told him where was no occasion for alarm—that he had gone to Constantinople to inform the Emperor of his approaching nuptials—that it was a duty the king and himself had considered indispensable, but feared the opposition of the Cyprians, and therefore resolved it not to become known until after his departure." We considered also the fears of the Princess—her youth and timidity would have influenced Theophilus against encountering the perils of navigation. Leonce betrayed not the emotion which agitated him while listening to this monstrous deception, heightened by the boldness of the traitor, who he found had also imposed on his sovereign, but left Basile with the appearance of being perfectly satisfied.

Leonce hastened to call upon the citizens, Eubionus, Nicanor, Eustatius, Nicetas, and others, who composed the late deputation to the king; and when they had assembled, he addressed them as follows.

"Noble Cyprians! is your attachment to Prince Theophilus invisible! Is your hatred of his father invincible?"

"Yes," they replied, as with one voice.

"I will then," added Leonce, "increase your love for the one, and your hatred for the other, by imparting the contents of a letter, written by the Prince Basile to Narses; an officer of the army upon whose fidelity he appears confidently to rely. Hear! and judge for yourselves! Now," continued Leonce, "I bear this, from Zozimo to his brother Narses, who will appear before the gates of our city—sure to serve the criminal designs of his commander; but to sustain the just enterprise of the people, and embolden them to declare to become free! Let us avail ourselves, dear Cyprians, of this aid to justly punish a monster. Zozimo thinks it will be sufficient to prescribe him! I do not agree with him. It is necessary to sacrifice either, the son for the father! or, the father for the son!—choose ye between them. Tyrants can only cease to be *feared*, when they cease to *exist*! Proscribed—wandering—they will still form a party in their favor. Let us save ourselves, and our children from the possibility of ever suffering under the unjust domination of the detested Basile!"

The deputies, roused into fury—aware by the most sacred oaths, to accomplish his death.

Nicephore and Euthience were appointed to convey the letters to Narses. It was considered necessary for them to depart immediately, in order to intercept Narses on the road to Lumisso, that they might assure themselves of his co-operation. The other confederates, in the mean time, were to exhibit copies to all those in whom they could confide. The magistrates and those held in esteem by the people, were the first to be entrusted. All became inspired with a just revenge.

Nicephore and Euthience reached the encampment of the army about nightfall. After the perusal of his letters, Narses, convulsed with indignation—exclaimed—

"Does Basile take me for a dog! that I should obey his infamous commands!" Conscious that immediate action was necessary, he summoned his officers in council, and thus addressed them—

"Brave companions! behold these loyal citizens. Their love for the young Prince Theophilus—their zeal for their country's welfare—have brought them hither. A tale of horror is here, (pointing to the letters lying before him) disclosed—which has aroused in them—and should excite in every patriotic breast the deepest indignation. Read—and decide whether Basile deserves to live! Shall a father who hesitates not to spill the blood of his own offspring—be entrusted with our lives, and the lives of our children! No! I call upon you then follow officers to decree his fate."

Loud shouts of revenge—and the clangour of steel—preceded their utterance of, "Let him perish!" "Away with him!" "He merits death!"

On the morrow, at daybreak, Narses commenced his march for Lumisso. When within a few miles of the city, he halted—arranged his soldiers in a circle—and placing himself in the midst—with a loud voice made known to them what he had persuaded the secret rights of humanity, he had spirit he wished to excite pleased in their eyes; they grasped their battle axes, and shook them aloft! "Yes," Narses continued, "Basile would have deprived me of the object of our hopes—shall he be permitted to tyrannize over us! to perpetuate our slavery! Pronounce his doom! ought he to live! no, ought he to die!"

Valley and mountain *echoed their sentence of "Death to the traitor!"*

"March, then!" said Narses, "the citizens of Lumisso await us."

Nicephore and Euthience hastened to the city with the intelligence of the army, to proclaim the result of their mission.

The sworn confederates met, and agreed to assemble the people; who were already alarmed at the secret and unusual movements of the troops. My poor language can but feebly describe the scenes that ensued. The populace, wrought to madness, by the disclosures of the truth—and by such addresses as the following—could hardly restrain their fury.

"Who is there among you," said Euthience, "that can boast of having saved either his person, or his property, from the violence and rapacity of Basile? Who among you has not felt to what extent he can carry injustice and cruelty! But who would have suspected the possibility of his committing the blackest of crimes! Behold! Narses comes with two thousand men—come to avenge our injuries, by the death of the hated Basile." The people ran—they welcomed the soldiers with acclamations—on every side was heard—" *Down with the tyrant!* " *The blood of the infamous Basile will alone satisfy us!*"

These tumultuous sounds reached the ears of the prince—he rushed to the entrance of his palace—he saw around a vast multitude—he heard their cries, which flashed not brighter in the sunlight, than in their eyes the fire of revenge! but he exhibited no fear—his indomitable spirit was not daunted—he heard that his presence could—the words would disperse them. But what did he behold! What did he hear! Narses, with his soldiers! mixing with the multitude! joining in the cry of revenge! He now discovered that he was betrayed! yet he attempts not to fly—his courage enables him to comfort danger—he presents himself with boldness. "*Let the bravest,*" said he, "*strike the first blow.* I fear neither torture nor death!" His valour, his countenance—haughty and courageous as his words, caused many to fear and retire. Awed for the moment—no one approached him. Suddenly their fury returned—they rushed upon him—he attempted a vigorous defence—he fell bleeding from countless wounds! Nicephore then addressed him.

"Tyrant! receive this consolation—*thou dost, but they you least!—thou to reign over a happy people.*"

Basile, with the energy of death and despair, and thwarted desires, exclaimed,

"*He shall never reign!* " *He shall become the prey of a conqueror, who will avenge my death on you and your children!*" He spoke no more; but his eyes even in death glared defiance; and his lips moved.

As soon as my father was informed of the movement of the people, he ordered his guards to fly to the success of Basile. They refused to obey; but attempted to satisfy their disloyalty by disclosing the cause of the disturbance.

During all this time I had remained in my apartment. When I discovered that the hour appointed for the fatal deed had arrived, my hatred changed into pity.

"Basile will die, and Theophilus will reproach me," cried I. I even began to repent the part I had taken; I felt guilty, and rushed affrighted to the presence of the king. We both remained silent for some minutes—then my father exclaimed with bitterness.

"If the meanest of my subjects had desired to save the life of Basile, he would have more influence than myself, for even my guards refuse to obey me. But what can I accomplish by staying here! let me hasten to the Cyprians, and if possible, ameliorate their fury, or we ourselves may become the next victims."

When about to leave the palace, he saw Narses approaching, surrounded by all the distinguished citizens of Lumisso, and followed by a dense multitude. The king withdrew into his audience chamber, and summoned them to his presence. Narses advanced, and bowing low to his sovereign, thus addressed him.

"Sire, behold this letter in the hand writing of Basile; it must form our only justification of the act of which we are guilty." Silence reigned while the king perused its contents; the people studying each change in his countenance with the most intense anxiety. Narses resumed, "What had not your subjects, and even your majesty to fear, from a prince, who, through jealousy and ambition, would sacrifice his only son! We, your subjects compelled to take the life of one, whom the ties of blood and affection would have prompted you to pardon. To save the Prince Theophilus; to secure the happiness of the Princess Sophia, and deliver our country from tyrannical domination, are some of the motives by which we were actuated. We entreat your clemency; but if your majesty deems us deserving of punishment, we are ready to repay with our own lives, the life we have destroyed; and while expiring, shall exult in the reflection, that we have saved our wives, our children, and our country from the yoke of a Tyrant!"

The king replied,

"I am compelled to acknowledge, that the letter too well convinces me of the criminality of Basile: he merited death! yet you were not justified in executing the sentence."

My father then remained silent for some time, evidently agitated by conflicting emotions; at length, love for his subjects, and a desire for peace triumphing over every other feeling, he pronounced a full pardon.

The people rent the palace manifesting an excess of gratitude, and enthusiasm, and rent the air with their cries of—*vive le Roi!*

After devoting a few minutes to reflection—my father turned to me and said,

"My daughter, let us banish remembrance of the unworthy Basile; and above all let me forget my own weakness. Theophilus, thank heaven is saved—let a loyal deputation be sent to acquaint him with our return—let his return—the hope long desired, be consummated, and may you both deserve my affection, and justify the esteem of the Cyprians, by your virtuous actions."

With my cups suffused with tears, I prostrated myself before him, and exclaimed,

"My honored father—it is the strongest desire of my heart, to live, that I may never forfeit either your, or their approbation; and be assured, that Theophilus will unite with me in the tenderest love and submission, leading you gradually to forget all past trials—living only in the brilliant and happy present."

Narses and Leonce sailed for Venice by consent of the king, in order to accompany Theophilus back to Lumisso.

Hope now cheered me with her sunny light, only to darken the darkness of approaching despair! Fortune charmed me with her coquetry, only to changes the pangs of disappointment!

A vessel, bearing the Cyprian flag, made its appearance, in the harbor. The people rushed in crowds to welcome Theophilus—but alas! Crysge and Zozimo only were there—who anxiously enquired if the prince had not arrived at Lumisso! The reply they received in the negative, and the demand for explanation, astonished and confounded them.

I had watched the vessel's arrival with the impatience of love and joy—and when I saw Crysge and Zozimo leave, and wend their way slowly through the crowd to the palace, unaccompanied by Theophilus—I rushed to the audience chamber, and entered it the moment they appeared at the opposite door. Forgetting the presence of the king—I demanded to know what they had done with the prince! and where they had left Narses, and Leonce! Their silence, and their confusion increased my alarm.

"Ah! my father," cried I, "Theophilus perhaps is no more! Heaven has avenged upon him the death of a father! Oh! too criminal Sophia! what hast thou done!" Abandoned to an excess of grief, I could scarcely be prevailed upon to listen to the account Zozimo gave of their adventures. I will repeat them in his own words.

"A favorable wind conducted us to Venice. Theophilus landed. Being alarmed for the safety of his father—he desired us to sail immediately for Lumisso. He feared that the fury of the Cyprians would urge them to commit some barbarous deed. Actuated by a noble spirit of forgiveness; he exclaimed, 'Is he not my parent! am I not bound to forget his enmity! Conjure the princess Sophia for my sake, to exert all her influence, to prevent the Cyprians from committing any excess. *To her protection I confide my father.*' We yielded to his desires and he agreed to await in Venice our return. The fourth day after we sailed, a furious tempest arose—for three days we were tossed to and fro at the mercy of the winds and waves, in momentary expectation of being cast upon the rocks. When every one looked forward to certain death—a favorable change took place—the storm abated, and we found ourselves again off the Venetian coast. Our vessel required a thorough repair; we landed at the nearest port. I left my brother, and took passage for Venice—in order to acquaint the prince with our unexpected detention. Judge of my surprise, when I found that Narses and Leonce had been sent to accompany him back to Lumisso; and that they sailed the second day after our departure. Judge also of my increased astonishment, when finally returned to Lumisso, I found the prince has not yet arrived, and that all are waiting to see for explanation."

"Heaven!" I exclaimed, "protected you during that fearful storm; but the prince Theophilus was lost!" My father used every possible means to assuage my grief; but I refused to be comforted. Each succeeding day diminished the faint hope I endeavored to retain, and increased my fears that that he had indeed met with a terrible doom.

But the period at length arrived when great misfortunes appeared light, compared with those fate showered upon my head—the period which deprived me of my crown! and my liberty! I have to relate that a party of Sophia's friends, belonging to the army of Richard, king of England (destined for the Holy Land) was wrecked on our shores—and that my father (alas! that I must acknowledge it) violated the sacred rights of hospitality, by not only refusing to the soldiers assistance and succour; but by imprisoning, and otherwise ill treating them. I can only account for his conduct as follows. The Cyprians once they had given up all hopes of the return of Theophilus, had grown discontented under the stern dominion of their king, who added the querulousness of approaching age, to the severity taught him, by his misfortunes. He was perfectly acquainted with the popular feeling, he evidently feared the people would take this opportunity to rebel; and believed that by following this course he would preserve for himself, and his descendants the throne of Cyprus. Mistaken man! why did not destiny forelabour to me the awful result!

Richard soon gathered the remains of his army, and across for revenge, attacked and captured Limisso. My father and myself escaped into a city badly fortified, and still worse defended by a remnant of his discontented subjects. The conflict was short—we were taken prisoners—and kept taken prisoners, and sent closely guarded to Sextia. Who can imagine our despair! deprived of honors—of liberty—and ignorant of what might be our ultimate destiny, slavery, or death! No one to fly to our rescue—no brave knight to wield a lance in our defence.

It was then with a sort of melancholy pleasure, I became led to the prison where my beloved Theophilus was also a prisoner in the very fortress "at least," said I, "these walls have echoed the sound of his footsteps—the music of his voice."

Richard had left one day in command of the fortress, that a French vessel had arrived, bringing several noble Cyprians. That as soon as they landed, the people manifested the greatest joy—and rallied their forces under one chief styled "their prince." I fainted from excess of rapture.

"Who my dear father," I exclaimed, when animation had been restored, "can it be, but Theophilus! Who else would have dared the Cyprian call! the prince! He comes to deliver us from a stranger foe." We wept tears of joy in each others arms. Occasionally we heard accounts of his bravery. "Cyprians rallying! have already driven the foe! fought under their beloved leader, as if they were determined to wash away the stain of their dishonor by either victory, or death! The slaughter had carried into the hosts of Richard—but they yet alas! superior numbers overpowered them—they fell, vanquished on the field, or were taken prisoners. Theophilus was the last to yield. He retreated—conducted in triumph with his friends—who could not refrain from expressing his admiration of the bravery, and of the proud, yet tranquil air of his illustrious captive.

Theophilus was sent to Seatia. He entered loaded with chains! It is impossible to express the different emotions that pervaded my heart, when I beheld him, the beloved—the noble Prince—degraded with the badge of slavery! It was rapture to behold him once more! but it was agony to see him his disgrace—his despair! He was permitted to visit our apartment. Our first emotions were a commingling of every human passion, from the lofty pinnacle of rapture! to the lowest depths of woe.

"Ah!" said I, "what wretchedness had been spared us, if your arrival had preceded that of Richard. You would have persuaded my father to receive with kindness those poor shipwrecked soldiers—and Richard would now have been a grateful friend, instead of an implacable enemy. What obstacle did the fates interpose to prevent your earlier return to Limisso? Inform me how you escaped the violent tempest! I thought sailed immediately after your departure from Venice?"

Theophilus commenced, by relating the ingenuity of Zozimo in alluring him, and retaining him on board of the vessel—his astonishment, when he found the ship had actually left the shore—his horror and grief, at hearing from Zozimo the particulars of the danger that menaced him—the fears he entertained for the safety of a parent—whom, notwithstanding all he had suffered, he still regarded with affection. He even wished to return—to brave all—for he felt sure that his father would repent—that he was then enduring the deepest remorse. He said,

"When we arrived at Venice, I consented to return only on the condition of their immediate return to Limisso—I endeavored to console myself with the hope that the dear Princess would have interposed your influence to protect the life of my father."

"Ah! Prince," said I, "do not reproach me—Heaven! has already sufficiently punished me! In our unhappy condition it is cruel to recall useless regrets. Alas! the dying prophecy of Basile is accomplished. *He will never reign!* Did he not behold the outrage of fortune, rifled and rent! that *we should become the prey of a conqueror, who would avenge his death on the deceited Cyprians!* I trembled with fear, and fancied that the spirit of Basile was hovering around, and exulting over our misfortunes."

Theophilus resumed his narrative.

"When Leonce and Narses arrived at Venice, I learned from them the terrible fate of my father, and decided never to return to Cyprus. Could I expect to enjoy a throne bought by the blood of a parent! I almost persuaded myself that I could sustain an exile from my beloved Sophia—could extinguish in my heart the holy flame that was enkindled there to burn for ever! Leonce represented to me your alarm, and painful anxiety regarding my return—assured me that you were ignorance to sacrifice with the determined Cyprians—that nothing but the life of my father would appease their rage; and that he would sooner or later have fallen their victim. At length, I was prevailed upon to return. We set sail. On the second day we discovered indications of a violent storm—the sailors prepared to meet it. It came—and terrible was its first attack. A second blast—and instant destruction appeared our inevitable fate. The force of the tempest increased—the heavens were one black pall! Noonday assumed the garb of night! the lightning flashed—the thunder roared along the vaults of Heaven! The rain poured in one vast sheet. The rolling of the mighty blast—the whistling of the cordage—the creaking and groaning of the distressed ship, and the shouts of the sailors, scarcely heard amid the contest of the elements, formed a combination of sounds, terrible beyond description. The overwhelming grandeur and sublimity of the scene created in me conflicting emotions, as they were powerful. I forgot all danger while witnessing the horrible struggles of nature. Our decks were swept by one which tore away every thing, and carried into the jaws of the deep several of our bravest seamen. These days and nights had passed away, when it was discovered that the vessel had sprung a leak! a mean was rent—and the water rushed in! appeared as a gathering death! Despair painted on every visage. The darkness of the Heavens remained, but the fury of the wind had in some degree abated—when to our ears came the joyful sound of "land!"—land!" I cannot picture to your imagination the effect these words produced. We felt as if raised from death into life—from the gloom of unmitigated despair—to the cheering presence of hope.

"But one joy was of short duration, for our vessel rushed headlong to the coast, which was covered with rocks, and proved to be a small uninhabited island separated from the continent of Africa by less than a league. A few of our number were so fortunate as to gain the land, while the remainder were dashed upon the rocks, over whelmed beneath the raging surge. Exhausted as we were with fatigue, wet, cold and starving; we were animated with the liveliest joy at the faint hope of once more beholding those dear to our hearts. We congratulated each other, and thanked Heaven for its mercy. When morning dawned, we found that our vessel had entirely disappeared—a few floating articles of her cargo were almost our—among which were a few provisions; which, together with the wild productions of the island, constituted our only sustenance. We managed to hoist a signal during the day, and lighted a fire during night, in order to attract the attention of any vessel sailing near the coast.

"Fourteen days had elapsed, when the sight of a sail in the distance gladdened our hearts. It approached—it came—it was Richard! he had discovered our signal and hastened to our relief. The captain sent a boat to the shore, and after being apprised of our misfortunes; nay, rank; and desire to track Cyprus in his own words.

"Richard placed a guard over the Princess, the consummation of which was Bersa, a gentleman of Aspu. He had secretly manifested for Bersa a degree of pity and interest, of which she resolved to take advantage. She disclosed to him a plan she had formed to gain her liberty, and entreated his assistance.

Philip Augustus, King of France, had until recently been in league with Richard, they were now implacable enemies, and she cherished a hope, that if she could succeed in conveying a letter to Philip, narrating her history, and detention by Richard, that he would be bound not suffer her to remain longer in captivity. Bersa not only promised to find means to convey a letter, but offered to assist her in acquiring the French language, in order to facilitate the correspondence.

When Philip received the letter from Sophia he was moved by its tone of sorrow, and charmed with its graceful expressions. He devoutly wished to rescue from Richard the oppressed Princess; but motives of state policy prevented him from observing the dictates of his heart. He therefore returned a reply. "That if she could find means without his aid to effect her escape, she had permission to retire into his dominions, where he promised to bestow her hand on a Prince of France."

Sophia perused these words with exclamations—then turning to Bersa, said,

"Alas what a fate is mine, to whom shall I now look for assistance! I am in despair."

"Madame," respectfully answered he, "fear not, I will exert the most powerful efforts to effect your release. I appreciate your sorrow; and if there is a power of attention in my mind or strength in my arm, you shall yet be free! But we must work slowly, deliberate, take courage, and your father and the Prince Theophilus shall yet be restored."

Sophia was animated with the liveliest gratitude, and assured him that "patience and resignation should leave no room for despair."

Richard having concluded a treaty with Saladin, made preparations to return to England, and considered it necessary for many reasons, that his fair captive should be conveyed to his kingdom in some safe manner without his immediate protection. He had perfect confidence in the integrity of Bersa while under his personal supervision; but his natural distrust would not permit him to confide so precious a charge to his sole care.

The vessel Richard selected to convey the Princess was owned and commanded by an Englishman of the name of Turnham. Bersa was ordered to conceal the fact of her guard. The king's excessive jealousy prevented him from paying the respect due to her rank by appointing one or more of his nobles to accompany her.

When Sophia was first acquainted by Richard of his plans, hope whispered, "you may be rescued from his power, ship-wreck, or some more fortunate accident may bestow upon you liberty."

"Yes," she said to Bersa, "all-pitying Heaven may look down in mercy upon my misfortunes—may interfere to save the unoffending Sophia from a fate worse than death! Yet, alas! I go far—far distant from Theophilus! here, at least, I breathe in the same climate, the same air. Here—I can sometimes through your invaluable kindness—hear that he is well, or alive! I ask not of happier liberty; nor that the hand of fortune may be the rescue of my venerable father, and my beloved Theophilus."

Richard, almost in despair at finding that he had made no impression toward obtaining the affections of Sophia, resorted to stratagems; and continuanded Bersa to acquaint her that Theophilus was dead. "For," said he, "I believe her love for him is the only obstacle to her union with me!" Bersa, poor lovely Sophia, how I shall riot in thy grief! beautiful as thou art in every varying expression, the majestic, imposing passion of grief imparts new beauties to thy matchless form.

Bersa executed the king's commands in the most cautious manner. He became violently alarmed at the effect it produced; and prayed Heaven to forgive him, if through his temporary participation in such refined cruelty, her reason or her life should fill a sacrifice.

Richard soon followed Bersa into her apartment, and fear mingled with his admiration. Her robes were dishevelled; her beautiful hair had escaped from its fillet of gems, and fell in luxuriant masses to her very feet. She personated the statue of Grief, pale as its marble, her features wore its convulsed, and stony impressions.

The time appointed for Sophia's departure drew near. She had recovered in some degree her health and animation; for Bersa had taken an early opportunity to acquaint her with the cruel deception that had been practised, cautioning her at the same time to conceal from the jealous and suspicious Richard the cause of her returning vivacity.

"Allow him to attribute the change in your demeanor to himself, and all will be well. If he has the least cause to doubt my fidelity, your escape will be impossible. My soul has hitherto proved fruitless; but I hope the time is before me, when I shall be permitted to serve you effectively. I am inspired with a degree of prudence that will not allow me to commit myself; strategem, and even deceit, I will practice to obtain your release from such unjust imprisonment, and restoration to those you love." Sophia's grateful emotions struggled for utterance.

"Ah! ah! good and kind Bersa, would have been my fate if the tyrant Richard had appointed any other than yourself to the station you occupy!"

The Princess embarked for England a few days after this conversation. Richard visited the ship in order to assure himself that everything had been arranged for her comfort, and also to give a few parting instructions to Bersa and Turnham, the latter, with strict injunctions of secrecy, he gave a written order, which was read to him, and then after he disclosed. Richard then bade adieu to Sophia, and retired; animated with the hope that she would meet him in his own dominions with wintering kindness, and forgetting the cruel motives he had taken to guard those to whose care he had committed her.

Captain Turnham's apparent age was thirty-eight or forty; his person was tall, and well made; his countenance bold and haughty, were at the same time a sinister expression, which prevented the beholder from imbibing a prepossession in his favor, and yet his manners were sought and his guides. In the attainment of any particular object in view, he hesitated not to employ the most dishonorable means. Such was the character of an individual whom Richard believed worthy of the confidence reposed in him. Bersa recoiled from his bold glances and shuddered with prophetic fear! She read in a moment the wide contrasts between this man and the noble Breze, whose countenance, manners, and air, bespoke a generous, and ingenuous, interested every one who beheld him.

Sophia passed the principal portion of her time alone with Leonora (her former governess, and a barbarous Sicilian) who had followed her, delicacy seldom visited her. Turnham, on the contrary, sought every occasion to present himself before her. No conversation was ever held between them, but he would linger in sight of the Princess, and Sophia's native tongue. She always beheld him approach with a disguise she could with difficulty conceal, and a fear that tortured her, for she read in his countenance the passions with which she had inspired him. Yes! he had dared to look upon her with the eyes of love! nay rather with a passion that bears no resemblance to that pure instinct of young and innocent hearts.

Turnham would one day, after some preliminary remarks, to acknowledge his passion for the beautiful princess. Breze, confounded at his boldness and audacity, will preserved sufficient presence of mind to conceal his real sensations and feign apparent satisfaction.

"Do not believe," said Turnham, "that my passion is of recent growth. I saw her in her father's garden, surrounded by the splendor and splendor that surrounded her when lonar regnant in Cyprus. I was one of the individuals seized and imprisoned by him, from the bars of my prison I feed on treasure the lovely unprotected beauty, and caused the rank that divided us. And when Richard arrived, conquered, and imprisoned them, I rejoiced because she was brought a little nearer to myself. Now, I would dare to snatch her from my royal master! and if you will befriend me nothing will be more easy.

"This vessel is my own; I can sail to any land. I will never return to England. She has been under my charge, and I have a right to her. Speak to her language; she can speak yours; she appears to confide in you, and you appear to pity her—speak! are you my friend! Ha! you turn pale, you are agitated. You love her! you love! Ah! I see by your eyes!" saying these words, he drew his poignard, and with furious looks darted toward Breze.

"Hold!" exclaimed Breze—"hear me—I love not the Princess Sophia—I pity her misfortunes, I would, for her sake, that she were freed from captivity. The peace and happiness of our honored Queen, and the welfare of the State require that Richard should abandon this absorbing passion. I am ready to unite in any feasible project; (provided it possible to obtain her approval)—that her liberty—and place her within the protection of some government hostile to Richard."

"Your discourse is generous—nevertheless, it has not had my question. Will you assist me in obtaining the Princess for my wife? She detests Richard—Theophilus is dead—and her remaining affection for him, is, I flatter myself, the only obstacle to my success. It is a cruel torture to love without the hope of return! Speak! I cannot express to her my passion in words; being ignorant of every language with which she is acquainted. Speak to the Princess for me, tell her I adore her; that I wish to rescue her from slavery; that to make her happiness is all I desire. Say that I will take her to Venice, or to any other country she may prefer; and where she will be safe from the power of Richard. In the meantime, if you consent to befriend me—teach me your language—love will hasten my progress. Speak! answer me favorably, for your life is in my hands!"

"Fortune, are you aware that according to the written command of our Sovereign, your life is already forfeited! Behold this order for your instant death at my hands, the moment you dare to exhibit the slightest predilection for the Princess Sophia! I give it to you, as a pledge of my zeal to serve your interests, and through yours, those of Sophia."

"Ah! Richard has failed at least, in one stroke of policy. Shall I surprise you by producing a facsimile of this order in regard to myself, Breze? *No, the King hoped to protect his Dove, from the grasp of the Hawk!* ha! ha! ha! How his impunity will rage when he finds he is baulked. Breze your hand—thus be our compact sealed."

Left alone, Breze ruminated upon what had passed, and enquired what of his conscience "if he was justified in practising such deception! Yes—it is to save a lovely and amiable Princess from the horrible fate that threatens her on every side. I know the violence of Turnham's character; I could have dealt with him in no other way. I must save both the Princess, and myself by the course I pursue. Alas! what did I save to Turnham! that I loved her not! Would to Heaven this unhappy destiny were not mine to struggle with. The moment I had spoken, the tones that dazzled through my heart, betrayed to me the truth of what I had only before suspected. Adored, and unhappy Princess! never shall love of mine add to thy grief. I will do to serve thee—and only feel too happy if I can win thy gratitude."

He entered the presence of Sophia, wearing, in despite of his struggles to maintain the contrary, a troubled air. She started, and enquired,

"What new grief is in store for me!"

"None, Madame, that may not be turned to your advantage. Arm yourself with courage—betray not by emotions your fears. Precaution, and even dissimulation may become necessary. I can only be extricated from the dangers that threaten you *Turnham loses you!* He has dared to declare it to me, and to procure a plan whereby he can gain possession of you!"

"Ah," returned Sophia, "my fears were just. I read in the traitor's face the wishes of his heart. Would not offended Heaven in store for me! You would be justified should you execute the command of your king. You! punish the traitor! and return me into Richard's hands. If I cannot escape slavery, the yoke of a King will be the least odious."

"No! Princess; I can attack an armed enemy, but I could never stoop to become a treacherous assassin. When I removed from Richard his bloody order, dictated by his jealousy, I resolved only to use it for your safety—which I conceived could be done without obeying the spirit of its instructions. I have given to Turnham in order to render him acquainted to my will."

"I will be responsible for the success of the enterprise, which I meditate, if you can be prevailed upon to second me."

"My esteem for you, generous Breze, should be a guarantee of my confidence. For the obligations already conferred; nothing can diminish my gratitude. Happy am I, in my misfortunes, to have found a friend so magnanimous, and sincere. "Yes," she added, at the same time presenting her hand; "I will depend upon you; instruct me, and I will obey."

"Noble Princess, I am penetrated by your kindness to one so humble; I love but to serve you."

Breze then repeated to Sophia's request, the substance of Turnham's conversation. "I pretended," said he, "to lend myself to further the designs of this desperado, in order to secure my own safety, and consequently yours; for if you were to be deprived of my protection, what would be your unhappy fate? Turnham depends on your part in imposture. It is not a vice when employed to protects; contend with, and overthrow criminal projects; or, when used to protect one's life. Endeavor to appear the same to Turnham; let him not discover in your manner new cause for affliction; manifest not more than usual inquietude."

Breze passed a sleepless night: he saw the perfidy he incurred; and the difficulties he had to surmount. On the morrow he sought an interview with Turnham: but concealed from him the fact that Sophia was already acquainted with his passion. Policy dictated the course.

"I thought, Sir," said he to Turnham, "the effect a sudden knowledge of your attachment might cause: that perhaps, the affection of Theophilus being still fresh in her memory—you might become to her an object of hatred, and repugnance. This, of course, would destroy all our plans. Allow *him* to operate on the heart of the Princess. Endeavor first to gain her gratitude; snow pity for her fate; assure her throughout, that you are ready to dare every thing, to extricate her from the power of Richard: for this, is the point towards which her eyes are directed. A feeling of satisfaction, a glimmering of hope will then cross her mind—which will weaken her sorrow—and insensibly efface the strength of her affection for Theophilus. You will thus inspire her with gratitude; and *gratitude is the parent of love.* Be ready to obey all her wishes. To whatever country she wishes to proceed, consent to convey her without hesitation. You will soon be enabled through my instruction to speak a few words in French; and then you can express to her the extent of your regard. Let us now visit the Princess, and in your presence, I will mention to her your compassion for her situation, and desire to ameliorate her grief—you will then see in what manner she receives your kindness."

"Come, let us hasten," replied Turnham, "I am all impatience to behold her. I appreciate the wisdom of your counsel; and will follow your instructions."

They appeared before her. Turnham expressed by looks, and gestures his pleasure at seeing her. Breze said in French "*every thing proceeds as I desire.*" Sophia's countenance lighted up at these words.

"You can reply to me," said Breze, for he (looking towards his companion) cannot understand us; while you are speaking, look towards him with an